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WOMAN'S CLUB RECEPTION.

The annual meeting and reception of the Woman's Club of Palo Alto was held at the new Fraternal Hall which had been kindly tendered by the association. The reception committee consisted of the retiring officers and officers elect. The hall was beautifully decorated under the direction of Mesdames Dayan, Bell, and Rosebrook, and was filled with members and guests of the club. After the reading of the annual reports, the company was delightfully entertained by a musical program prepared by the committee, Mesdames Wright and Jagger. Consisting of vocal and instrumental numbers. Miss Grace Barsstow of San Jose, favored those present with several violin solos, the exquisite strains holding all enchanted. Miss Lunt surpassed herself in her vocal selections. Many remarked the power and sweetness of her voice. Mrs. Starbuck's piano solo was highly appreciated by all present. During the afternoon delicious refreshments was served by the committee in charge of Mesdames Geo. Parkinson, Leake and Dyer, in the "Tea room."

The following officers were elected:

President — Mrs. M. G. Campbell.

1st vice-pres. — Kate K. Hutchinson.

2nd vice-pres.— Mrs. B. Parkinson.

3rd vice-pres.— Mrs. A. L. Corbert.

Vice-president at large Helen MacGilvary.

Secretary—Mrs. Hudson Dodge.

Treasurer—Mrs. L. D. Emerson.

Annual Reception.

The Woman's Club held its annual reception on Wednesday afternoon at Fraternal Hall, at which time fully two hundred ladies partook of the hospitality of the Club. The handsome rooms had been further beautified by the addition of reception chairs, screens, and rugs, while hundreds of roses and potted plants gave exquisite finish to the scene. The elegantly dressed ladies and the many dainty adornments in the large hall and banquet room made the affair very delightful. The table service was especially dainty, the fine linen, delicate china and silver making it seem like an elegant home affair. Mrs. R. Leake furnished the silver and china, and Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Hutchinson donated the roses.

A vote of thanks was extended to the trustees of the Fraternal Hall Association for the use of the hall in which to hold the reception.

The installation of the Club officers and the adoption of the last year's reports occupied the time allotted to the business meeting. The officers for the current year are:

President—Mrs. M. G. Campbell.

First Vice-President — Mrs. Joseph Hutchinson.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. B. Parkinson.

Third Vice-President—Mrs. A. L. Corbert.

Secretary—Mrs. H. D. Dodge.

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The heads of the various departments will be appointed at the next meeting of the Club.

After the business meeting, a delightful little program was rendered: Miss Barstow, from San Jose, gave some exquisite selections on the violin. She is mistress of this sweetest of all instruments, and her playing charmed the entire audience. Miss Lunt, who always pleases her hearers, gave three songs, one a delicious little French bit, but the gem of the day was her last song with Miss Barstow as accompanist. Mrs. Starbuck favored the audience with a brilliant selection on the piano, and Miss Macgillivray gave an interesting account of her interview with Madame Modjeska.

The afternoon passed very pleasantly and no doubt the club will receive many accessions from among the visitors who attended this reception. The Woman's Club has achieved much good and all

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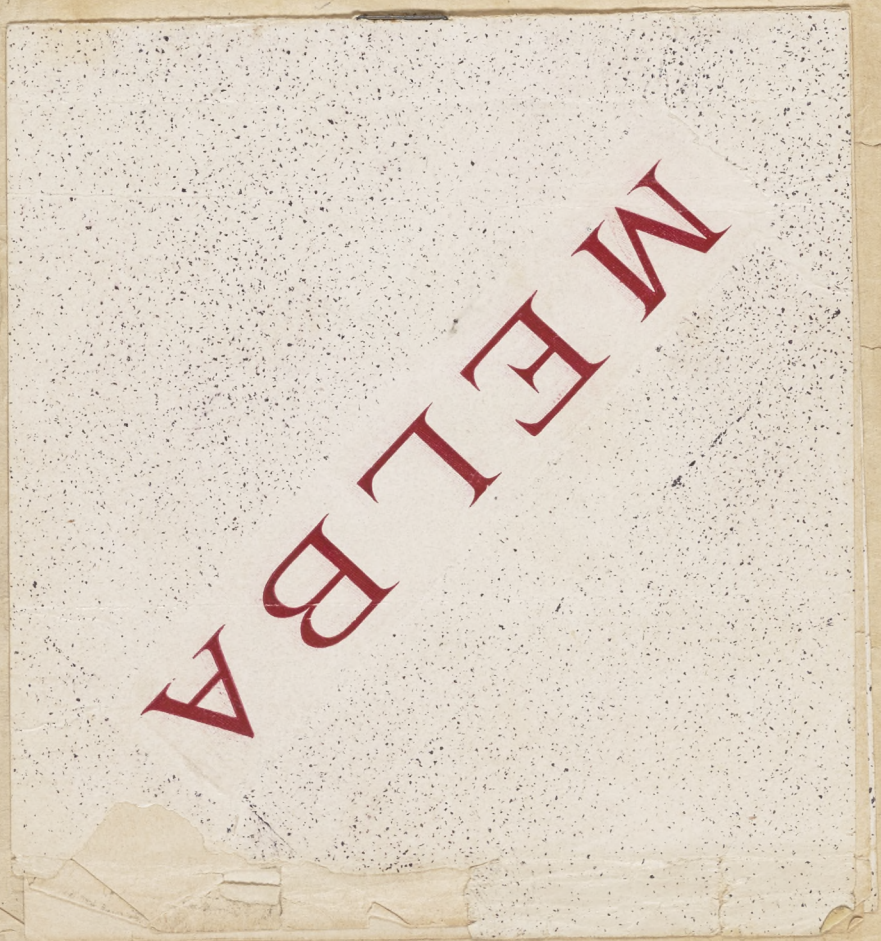

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Part First

1 CHORUS.....O Skylark.....*Henry Smart*

2 VIOLIN.....Capricioso..... .....*Gade*
MISS GRACE BARSTOW

3 CHORUS..... .....Twenty-third Psalm with Orchestral Accompaniment..*Schubert*

4 PART SONGS.....
(a) My True Love Hath My Heart ..*H. Smart*
(b) Sleep Song..... ...*G. Barton*
MRS. WRIGHT, MISS WILSON, MR. BUEHNER. MR. WRIGHT

5 CHORUS (a) Lullaby .....*Brahms*
(b) Linden Tree.....*Schubert*

Part Second

1 ORCHESTRA.....Hungarian Dance. ....*Brahms*

2 CHORUS .....Legends .....*Mohring*

3 VIOLIN..... Polonaise Brilliante.....*Wieniawski*
MISS GRACE BARSTOW

4 CHORUS.....Serenade.....*Schubert*
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MELBA CHORAL

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Mrs. Thompson, Miss Spaulding, Miss Werry, Miss Asbury
Mrs. Silsby, Mrs. Humphrey, Miss Jagger, Miss Westall
Mrs. Sloan, Miss Little, Miss E. Westall

Second Sopranos

Mrs. Dahl, Mrs. Thoburn, Mrs. Dibble, Miss Cuthbertson
Mrs. Young, Mrs. Gibson, Miss Furbush, Miss B. Boring
Mrs. Johnston, Miss Corbert, Miss Lunt

First Altos

Miss Abbott, Miss Diggles, Miss Ritchie, Miss F. Boring
Miss Fowler, Miss Quinn, Miss Wilson

Second Altos

Mrs. Corbert, Mrs. Parkinson, Mrs. Powers, Miss Kirkpatrick

Orchestra

Mr. Dulley, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Scoville..., Mr. Wright..... } .....Violins
Mr. Foster..., Mr. Abbott... } ..Violas

Mr. Van Kaathoven—Cello. Mr. Swett—Flute Mr. Wills—Cornet

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The Woman's Club of Palo Alto, will hold its regular meeting at Fraternal Hall on Wednesday, Oct. 5th at 3 p. m. sharp. Dr. Abbott of Stanford University will address the club on the "Thames Conservancy" and as the lecture will have direct bearing upon a matter of local importance it is hoped that every member will be present promptly. An admission of 25c will be charged to non members. 1898.

Professor Starbuck will address the Woman's Club Wednesday, Oct. 19, 1898, at Fraternal Hall after which there will be an exhibition of photos by Vickery of San Francisco,

The Womans' Club of Palo Alto has planned a series of Authors' Teas. The price of admission will be ten cents, and the proceeds will be devoted to the purchase of complete sets of the works of the different authors for the Palo Alto Public Library. The first of the series will be a Kipling Tea at the residence of Mrs. S. A. Patterson, early in December.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternal hall, Wednesday, November 9th, at 3 p. m. Prof. McFarland wil lecture on "Neapolitan Life." 1898

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At the meeting on Wednesday, October 6, Prof. Abbott of Stanford University gave a very interesting talk on the "Thames Conservancy." This is a corporate body elected from the high officials of state and university to care for all the varied interests connected with the Thames river. So thoroughly and successfully is this done that although the Thames drains over 5000 square miles of territory inhabited by over 65,000,000 people, its waters are pure enough to furnish the water supply of London. In addition to caring for the waters of the Thames the commission has so laid out and cared for the banks of the stream that they have given the community a beautiful park 175 miles long, so perfectly kept that a woman may walk over any part of it without being molested or offended by anything disagreeable to the eye or ear.

This beautiful and artistic pleasure ground is one of the greatest educators in England. The value of such a preserve is beginning to be recognized in the United States and the people of Boston are trying to beautify the Charles river along the lines taken by the Thames Conservancy. Palo Alto has within its bounds an opportunity for a most beautiful park of this nature. If Francisquito creek could be cared for from its mouth to the Searsville dam a lively drive and bicycle path could be made on both sides, crossing over the embankment and down to the University, striking the creek again at that point.

A series of light retaining dams could be put in so as to give a stretch of six miles waterway for boating, the engineering difficulties would be slight, the results most charming.

While Palo Alto is burdened now with its struggle for the necessities of life in the way of water and sewers, yet it may keep this object in view and prevent the land along the creek from being taken up for building lots or in any way rendered more difficult to obtain in the future day when the town or some patriotic citizen may be free to give us this most desirable and profitable village improvement. The lecture was illustrated by many beautiful photographs of country along the course of the Thames river.

A Kipling Tiffin.

A more pleasant event could not be desired than was the tea given on Saturday afternoon by that pleasing hostess, Mrs. S. A. Patterson, at her delightful home. The tea was under the auspices of the Woman's Club and was for the purpose of procuring funds to purchase a complete set of Kipling's books for the public library. Nearly 200 people were present and the proceeds amounted to $15.25. The program was made up of selections from Kipling's writings. Miss Winifred Morgan and Mr. Van Kaathoven each sang a ballad, and "The Recessional" was rendered by a quintette, to violin and violincello accompaniment. Mrs. Dr. Matzke read from the author's works in a most effective manner and there was music by the Ladies Mandolin Club. Excellent refreshments were served. Other similar entertainments will be given, the next being a Stevenson tea. Dec 3 - 1898 -

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Distinguished Guests at the Women's Clubs.

"Were you ever a distinguished guest at a woman's club?" said Mrs. Pepper to Mrs. Pickle.

"Me? No! Not at a woman's club or anywhere else."

"Well, if I were you I'd begin soon.

"I couldn't be a distinguished guest at anything. An insignificant body like me!"

"Weren't you the secretary pro tem of the Oskazoo Tuesday Club three years ago?"

"Yes, but——"

"That's all that's necessary. You'll appear on the list as the ex-secretary, and so forth. And what I was going to say was that, if you know when you're well off, you'll make your debut soon. This role of distinguished guest is getting more exciting all the time. I've been at it now for several years, but I'm not sure that I can keep at it several years longer.

"When I was first invited to be a guest of some friend at her club luncheon or breakfast I went, ate and was filled—with papers and talks and bouillon and croquettes. That was all right. Then there was a change. It got to the point that, at a certain stage of the game, the president of the club would get up and say: 'Ladies, we have with us this afternoon a number of friends, and, as I am sure you would all like to know who they are, the secretary will now read the names.'

"That wasn't bad at all. I can't say that my bosom didn't swell with pride to hear my full name announced with a flourish. But things didn't end there. Pretty soon the president stopped calling to us' friends' and referred to us as 'guests.' Then we developed into 'distinguished guests.' That title became immediately popular, and one of the freakish habits of almost all women's clubs now is to read a long list of visitors under the heading of 'distinguished guests.'

"Not long after this title came into fashion an enterprising club president conceived the brilliant idea of asking each of the distinguished guests to rise when her name was called. The secretary would announce 'Mrs. Myrtle Green Pepper.' Then I would get up and stand there, feeling like several kinds of a fool and knowing that two or three hundred women were guying me in their inmost souls. I always felt as if the president held me up as if she were showing an insect to a class in natural history. Still I made the best of it, and, by getting only about halfway up and then subsiding promptly, I shortened the agony as much as possible. This rising for inspection has been the fashion for some time, but the other day I had an experience which showed me that the distinguished-guest business is capable of almost unlimited development.

"I had been invited to go to the luncheon of a well-known club and I found myself, as usual, one of a half dozen or more visitors. After the bouillon and croquettes part of the program was over the president got up and began the old, familiar formula: 'Ladies, we have a number of distinguished guests here present with us to-day, and it gives me a great deal of pleasure to have the secretary read their names.'

"Then the secretary began: 'Mrs. Margaret Smith Brown, Mrs. Myrtle—'

"'One moment,' interrupted the president. 'I will request that each lady rise and bow when her name is called.'

"And bow! That was a new wrinkle. I sat there wondering how in the world I could do it without adding a shriek of laughter to my bow. Imagine the asininity of getting up and making a bow as if you were a little schoolgirl about to say a piece. If she had said for us to rise and turn a handspring I couldn't have been more confused. Well, the secretary again began with Mrs. Brown, who got up and made her little bow. I knew my turn was coming next, and, as I was in the middle of the room, with women to right of me, to left of me and behind me, I wondered whether I would be requested to make four bows or would be let off with one. I made one and dropped into my seat, and the secretary passed on.

"Now, I tell you the distinguished guests of women's clubs have a great career before them. The bow is but the beginning. Next they will be requested to rise, bow, and turn slowly on one foot. This will gave the spectators a comprehensive view of the distinguished guests, back as well as front. After that they will probably be asked to rise, bow, revolve slowly, close and open the eyes, smile, frown and give various other detailed expressions. To this may be added an injunction to bring with them typewritten biographical data. After a while they can be asked to bring also typewritten descriptions of the gown and hat worn, stating cost, materials and anything else of interest. Don't you see? There's no limit to it. Now, if you think you would object to being a distinguished guest under such advanced conditions, I urge you to take your turn at it now, when you can get off with the injunction to make a pretty bow to the ladies. The wheels of progress are moving, and the distinguished guest is being hurried to unknown antics."

WOMAN'S CLUB.

Mrs. Jeanie Holden Delivers a Very Interesting Address Before the Club.

The near approach of the holidays prevented the usual large attendance at the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon. But though small, it was nevertheless a most enthusiastic audience that crowded around the speaker, Mrs. Jeanie Holden, to thank her for her splendid address of the afternoon.

The idea of oral teaching, that is, that so called deaf mutes can be taught to speak, to use the vocal organs in the same way that hearing people do, was new to many present. The system, which is based on lip reading, was invented and introduced into the country by Dr Bell, the inventor of the Bell Telephone. Strange to say, it has been received with considerable opposition by teachers of the deaf but it has been through prejudice and selfish motives.

Mrs. Holden went on to explain the advantages of the oral day system. She said in part: On account of the sign language, the deaf mute is shut off from the great world of hearing people. He can not understand them nor they him He must be a stranger even to his own family. The sign language makes it necessary to have large state institutions where teachers of the sign language may be provided In these institutions the deaf mingle with each other until it is small wonder that they become a peculiar people and outcasts from society. Dr. Bell has said that we could not have gone to work to form a deaf variety of the human race in a more scientific way than we have by our centralized school system.

The oral method makes possible the system of day schools for the deaf. This system has been in operation in Wisconsin for several years. Where ever a number of deaf children are found in a community they are given a room in the public school building and an expert teacher is provided. They are able to take some of the same branches of work that the hearing child does, and in time, as they become proficient in speaking, they go into classes with the other children. By this day school system more deaf children receive an education than under the old system, for in many cases, parents are unwilling to send their child away from home to a state institution. Then again, it is more economical for the state than it would be to support large asylums. But the greatest advantage of all is that it does not segregate the deaf into a class by themselves. They grow up with the same interests in life that hearing people have. They do not become self-conscious and sensitive, but scarcely seem to realize that they are different from other people.

The lecture was particularly interesting to the club from the fact that one of its members, Mrs. Kate Bingham of Palo Alto, is at the head of a movement to secure the passage of a bill at the next session of the Legislature, which shall provide for the establishment of these oral day schools in California.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternal Hall, Wednesday, January 4th. Dr. Gardner will address the club on "The Ideal Home." 1899.

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The regular meeting of the Woman's Club, on Wednesday afternoon, was addressed by the Rev. D. Charles Gardner. Jan 4th 1899

In introducing his subject, "The Ideal Home," the speaker said it was a sign of the times that women were everywhere awakening to a sense of their responsibilities and privileges. There have been various factors in this development, the most potent of which was, of course, the opening of colleges and universities and the offering of courses of instruction peculiar to women. The end and aim of this newly awakened intelligence is toward the better preservation and administration of life.

"As the administration of the home, at the present time, devolves upon the woman, the problem which, as a thinking being, she must now confront, is, how can she make it an ideal home. The point was here made that everything connected with the home centers about the marital relation. The marital relation is the rock upon which the household is built. Husband and wife find their chief happiness in parenthood and the home thus becomes a society of mutually dependent bodies. As character is the grandest and highest human attainment, so now it becomes the work of the home to develop among its several bodies, personality, or that product of body, soul and spirit, which we call character.

"Many homes fail to live up to this ideal character building because the household is not built up in conformity with the moral law. The marriage relation is regarded too lightly, it is entered into hastily and without thought. The result is the increase of divorce, that curse of the age, because it is striking at the vitals of family life. True marriage is a union of hearts. Without that happiness and harmony in the home, which comes from true marriage, the conditions which make for character building are lost."

A strong plea was made for religion as a potent factor in the development of the ideal home. Religion is the cord which binds the family together. Family unity depends upon it and its influence should not be underestimated.

The entire discourse was very interesting and at its conclusion was productive of much discussion among the members of the club.

It was with surprise and pain that the club received notice of the resignation of its beloved president, Mrs. M. G. Campbell.

The Woman's Club will meet Wednesday, January 18th, at 3 p. m. Prof. A. G. Newcomer will address the club. Subject, "Walter Savage Landor." 1899

A SHAKESPEARE TEA.

The Woman's Club will give a Shakespeare Tea at Fraternity Hall on the afternoon of Saturday, January 21st. 1899

A short programme of songs and selections from Shakespeare's works will be rendered.

The price of admission will be ten cents.

The amount realized is to be invested in a complete set of the poet's works for the library.

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SHAKESPERE TEA.

The second number in the series of Author's Teas inaugurated for the benefit of the Public Library, was held in the form of a Shakespere entertainment, Saturday afternoon in the parlors of Fraternity Hall.

Through the excellent work of the committees in charge a most delightful afternoon was enjoyed by the many guests present.

Mrs. G. H. Rosebrook had made the rooms beautiful with potted plants and graceful trimmings of pepper boughs. The tea room was especially attractive in smilax and banks of violets. A unique and pleasing feature of the program was a talk by Miss Dorothea Roth, of Stanford, on Shakesperean pictures and memorials. Portraits and photographs sf Stratford and the Avon had been loaned for the occasion by Professor Flugel and Mr. Vickery of San Francisco. An old map of London in the time of Shakespere proved particularly interesting.

The music was directed by Mrs. Genevieve H. Wright. A double quartette consisting of Miss Lunt, Miss Morgan, Mr. Buehner, Dr. Little, Mr. Van Kaathoven and Mr. Wright rendered two numbers very effectively. Solos were sung by Miss Winifred Morgan and Mr. Van Kaathoven. During the afternoon Mrs. Dyer and Mrs. Dr. Parkinson dispensed tea assisted by Mrs. Leake, Mrs. J. F. Parkinson, Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. Carey and Mrs. Dr. Little.

The proceeds amounted to $19.20. Through the kindness of Mrs. Alice Lothrop in helping to defray the expenses, enough was realized to pay for a handsome set of Shakespere in 13 volumes, and a copy of Sidney Lee's Life of Shakespere just published by McMillan Co.

WOMAN'S CLUB.

Professor A. G. Newcomer addressed the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon on the subject of the English poet and prose writer, Walter Savage Landor.

"The works of this poet," said the Professor, "have never been widely read because they have so little in them that it is of human interest. Landor has never been in touch with public life or thought. He never tried to grapple with great problems and he has no message to give to man. His writings are worthy chiefly from an artistic standpoint. His genius lay entirely in the field of pure art. As models of the highest literary art, his works rank with Tennyson, Swinburne, Emerson or any of the great poets of the present century."

Although an Englishman by birth, he spent a great part of his life in Florence, Italy, where he died in 1864 at the advanced age of eighty-nine. The fact that up to the time of his death he was still writing strong and vigorous verse was a remarkable feature of his life.

Henry Savage Landor, the daring traveler and explorer, was a nephew of the poet. Some of the same traits of character are noticeable in both men. The mental activities of Walter Savage Landor show the same boldness and intrepidity which the nephew exhibited in physical deeds of daring.

Possessing a naturally severe style, he never made use of humor or figures of speech, nor would he condescend to any of the literary tricks to tickle the ear or fancy of the reader. He was the best writer of Latin verse of the present century. All his material is taken from classical sources. His prose writings take the form of conversations between historical heroes. He never tried to reproduce historical scenes but was so bold as to put his own ideas and conceptions into the mouths of his characters.

Landor had a most interesting personality. Apart from his writings, his life is interesting as a study of human nature. He seemed to possess two natures, the one impulsive, tempestuous, arrogant, the other, calm, dispassionate, courteous. The one side of his nature was so altogether unlovely that in spite of his fascinating and brilliant qualities, he was never a success socially. He never could control his temper and his life was one series of quarrels. However as soon as the quarrel was over he would flee into seclusion and write a poem. That was the way he worked off his anger. He married impulsively after a six weeks courtship but owing to his peculiarities of disposition his married life was unhappy. He has been revered by all the great writers of the present day but it has been rather for his works than his personality.

Mrs. J. T. Ross favored the club with a very pleasing vocal solo and kindly responded to an encore.

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The Shakespeare Tea.

1899

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The Shakespeare tea, given by the Woman's Club at Fraternal Hall on Saturday last, proved both pleasant and profitable. The programme consisted of music, a short talk on Shakespeariana and light refreshments. The music was, as usual, directed by Mrs. Wright; under her efficient management a double quartette rendered two fine numbers and Miss Morgan and Mr. VanKaathoven gave charming solos—all arrangements of Shakespeare's songs.

Miss Dorthea Roth of Stanford University, gave a most interesting talk about Stratford and various Shakespeare pictures and memorials. Mr. Vickery of San Francisco and Prof. Flugel loaned for the occasion photographs, etchings and maps amply illustrating the subject.

The hall and tea room were beautifully decorated with potted plants, smilax and violets, by Mrs. Rosebrook and her assistants, and the hospitality of the Club was graciously dispensed by Mrs. Dr. Parkinson, Mrs. Dyer, Mrs. J. F. Parkinson and Mrs. Leake.

The receipts were $19.20 and owing to the kindness of Mrs. Lothrop the net proceeds will fall but little below that sum.

The next of the series will be a Stevenson tea at the home of Mrs. Branner, some time in February.

A handsome set of Shakespeare's works, in thirteen volumes, purchased by the Club for the library were on exhibition. This included Sidney Lee's fine life of Shakespeare, just published by the Macmillan Company, and lovers of this author may now find the latest literature respecting him at the library.

There was also on exhibition a very fine engraving of the Chandes portrait of Shakespeare, which was loaned by Mr. Vickery, and which may be purchased for $12. It is on exhibition at Dr. Gilbert's home and if not sold by tomorrow will be returned to Mr. Vickery.

If those who have pledged a contribution to the Library Fund for January will hand it to the Librarian they will greatly assist the collectors.

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WOMAN'S CLUB.

The paper on the "Denver Woman's Club" presented by Mrs. S. A. Osborn at the regular meeting of the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon proved to be full of inspiration for the members. It is always interesting to hear what other clubs are doing and the work of the Denver women is something of which every woman in the land may be proud. Last year the Club had the honor of entertaining the General Federation of Women's Clubs when over two thousand delegates met in the city of Denver.

Mrs. Osborn said there were now about a thousand members in the Club. Their motto is "In essentials, unity, in non-essentials, liberty, in all things, charity." The work is divided among departments such as Departments of Philanthropy, Reform, Art and Literature, Home, Education and Music. Each department holds its own meetings and it generally happens that there is a meeting of some kind every day in the week. Members may belong to only one department during the year, but they are free to visit the meetings of all other departments. Once a month is held a meeting of the whole Club. Some time in the future a handsome Club House will be built. Already four thousand dollars has been saved toward it.

A most interesting field of work is being covered by the Home Department. Among other things, a kitchen garden has been started for the benefit of the children of the poorer classes. Here instruction has been given in domestic science and practical cooking and better ways of living have been brought into over two hundred homes. Girls wanting to go into service are trained in the kitchen garden while waiting for places. It is said that the kitchen garden has successfully solved the servant question, the distressing problem of hired help being scarcely known in Denver.

A useful work being performed by the Philanthropic Department is the sending of magazines and books of reference to the different Woman's Clubs throughout the State, that may desire them. Besides furnishing a room in one of the city hospitals, this department is also interested in the Pingree Garden project. This is a practical plan for helping the industrious poor, by giving them eighty acres of land just outside of Denver, for cultivation. Transportation is furnished by the street railway companies, the seed is donated by the Land Commissioners and the tools are provided by the Woman's Club. In 1897 sixty-seven families were helped to raise enough garden produce for their own use and for sale.

The Department of Reform has undertaken some of the latest work in municipal reform. The streets have been kept cleaner through the efforts of its workers, and a committee organized to redress the wrongs of unprotected women has done good work.

The Department of Art and Literature has the greatest number of members. Study clubs have been organized and the department is always ready with entertainments which will bring pleasure into the lives of working girls. One year the members edited the Christmas number of one of the large daily journals. The money thus raised was used to place works of art in the public schools.

A valuable department is that of Music, which provides music for all the Club meetings. An attractive feature of this department is the Junior Chorus formed of children of the Club members.

With all these activities, it is evident that the Denver women are not like the woman we have heard about who was "bounded on the north by her ailments, on the east, by her husband, on the south by her children and on the west by her clothes."

The Woman's Club of Palo Alto will give a Stevenson Tea at the house of Mrs. Branner, on the Campus, Saturday afternoon February 25th. The programme will consist of reading from Stevenson by Mrs. Pres. Jordan, selections by the Stanford Girls Glee Club, and solos from Stevenson's songs. All are cordially invited to be present. Admission ten cents. 1899

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall Wednesday Feb. 15th at 3 p. m. Miss Sarah M. Severance of Pacific Grove, will address the Club on "The Scientific and Educational Features of the W. C. T. U." 1899

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VAUDEVILLE ENTERTAINMENT

The entertainment at Nortree Hall Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Village Improvement Committee of the Woman's Club was a decided success. The hall was thronged, many being unable to gain admittance. There was not a number on the program that was not enjoyable, the selections of the Stanford Glee and Mandolin Clubs being especially well received.

The Stanford Girls' Glee in their white duck uniforms presented a very handsome appearance. This was their first formal appearance and their singing made a very good impression.

Dr. G. B. Little and Mr. F. H. Wright in the balcony scene from Romeo and Juliet achieved a decided hit and were heartily encored. Mr. Wright proved a captivating Juliet, while Dr. Little's interpretation of the part of Romeo would have done credit to a professional.

Mrs. Ross sang with great power and charm the solo "Sunset." "On the Road to Mandelay" was sung very prettily by Miss Winifred Morgan.

The enthusiastic encore given Miss May G. Kimble's banjo solo showed that her selections were highly appreciated. Dick Culver gave one of his inimitable chalk talks, and the program closed with a selection by the Palo Alto Band. Many remained to enjoy the dancing which continued until midnight.

The success of the evening reflects great credit on the enthusiastic labors of the members of the Village Improvement Committee who are working so zealously to improve and beautify our streets. This committee is composed of Mrs. J. W. Dayan, chairman, Mrs. C. D. Marx, Mrs. J. S. Butler, Mrs. E. C. Hughes, and Mrs. Genevieve Wright.

Following is the program:

1. "There was a Tack," Sunday Fishing" (encore) ..... Stanford Glee Club
2. Vocal solo, "Sunset," Dudley Buck ..... Mrs. Ross
3. Balcony scene from Romeo and Juliet ..... Dr. Little and Mr. F. H. Wright
4. Vocal solo, "On the Road to Mandelay" ..... Miss Winifred Morgan
5. Selections ..... J. S. Briscoe
5. "Three Little Maids From School" ..... Mrs. Silsby, Mrs. Ross, Miss Lunt
7. Banjo Solo, "Watch Hill Two Step". Miss May G. Kimball
8. Selection, "Mammy's Little Yaller Gal," "A Charming Fellow" (encore) ..... Stanford Girls' Glee
9. Chalk Talk ..... R. K. Culver
10. Selection ..... Palo Alto Band

LIBRARY REPORT

Financial statement of the Palo Alto Public Library for February, 1899:

Receipts.

Cash on hand	$28 46
Subscriptions paid	5 00
Woman's Club	5 00
Contributed	6 00
Monthly subscription	24 90
	$69 36

Disbursements

Rent	$19 00
Librarian	18 00
Janitor	2 25
Shelf lists	6 25
Furnishing	3 40
	$48 90
Cash on hand	20 46
Total	69 36

Books taken out February 11th to 28, 375.

BOOKS IN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Rees' Encyclopedia	46 Vols.
Chambers Encyclopedia	10 "
Peoples' Encyclopedia	2 "
Cyclopedia Biography	1 "
Dictionary (Imperial)	4 "
Classic Dictionary	1 "
Entichs English-Latin Dictionary	1 "
Ramshorn's Latin Synonyms	1 "
Liddel & Scott Greek-English Lexicon	1 "
Bound Magazines	10 "
U. S. History	20 "
General History	22 "
Geography and Travel	21 "
Biography	42 "
Sociology	15 "
Religion	13 "
Theology	27 "
Science	7 "
Text books of various kinds	33 "
Poetry and Drama	58 "
Literary	61 "
Fiction	426 "
Juveniles	186 "
Total	1008 Vols.

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WOMAN'S CLUB.

The program at the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon was under the Department of Education and Science. Miss Sarah Severance, the well known temperance lecturer and writer, gave an address on "The Scientific and Educational Features of the W. C. T. U." The following is the substance of her remarks:

In all cases affecting humanity, the heart or the emotional nature is always the first to note of wrong. Later, science comes, analyzes the data collected by the heart and draws conclusions. So it has been with the history of the phenomena of intemperance. It has always been recognized as an evil. All through the Bible are to be found examples of the vice of drinking, and condemnatory passages such as "Drunkards can not enter into the kingdom of Heaven." It was not however until the time of the Revolution that any attempt was made to make a scientific investigation of the nature and properties of alcoholic liquors. As a result of his researches on the subject, Dr. Rush, a man well known in scientific circles, declared that distilled liquors were injurious but recommended the use of fermented liquors. He tried to start a movement among the ministers against distilled liquors, but met with little success. Up to this time all classes indulged freely in the use of rum, cider and other alcoholic beverages. It was considered the proper thing. Some farmers who had made up their minds that liquor was a bad thing and had refused to give it to their hired help brought down upon their heads the indignation and wrath of the entire community.

From 1840, a general wave of feeling against the use of liquor has gone over the country. Thorough scientific investigations of the nature of alcohol have been made. It is now known that alcohol draws the water out of things. This is a most important point when we consider that 75 per cent of our bodies is water. By the absorption of the water in the body, the walls of the lungs and stomach thicken. The blood corpuscles shrink and the used up tissues of the body are prevented from being carried away by the blood. This thickening and shrinking also affects the proper nutrition of the body. Alcohol acts as a stimulant and causes the heart to do too much work. By sending the blood to the surface it lets out the heat instead of giving heat to the body as is popularly supposed. Its effect on the nervous system is most serious as it acts as a nerve paralyzer.

Miss Severance went into the discussion of the evil tendencies and effects of alcohol at some length and quoted many eminent authorities. She also gave a resume of the legislative work which has been done by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The many reforms which it has been the means of bringing about are very encouraging. It is the aim of the Union to set before the world these facts of the injurious effects of alcohol and to arouse public opinion against it. The workers have ultimate faith in the victory of the cause although at present they are "like voices in the wilderness crying in the darkness for help."

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A STEVENSON TEA. 1899

The Stevenson Tea to be given at the home of Mrs. Branner, on the Campus, is for the benefit of the Palo Alto Public Library. The proceeds are to be expended in the purchase of a set of Stevenson's works for the Library.

Mrs. D. S. Jordan will read selections from Stevenson's works; the Stanford Girls Glee Club will sing; and several of Stevenson's songs will be sung as solos. One of the songs will be given by several of the children living on the Campus.

A very beautiful illuminated card suitable for Easter or birthday remembrance, will be on sale for ten cents. The card contains a picture of the ship, also the following quotation from Stevenson's "A Christmas Sermon" both of which are on the Stevenson Monument in San Francisco.

"To be honest, to be kind—to earn a little and to spend a little less; to make upon the whole a family happier for his presence, to renounce when that shall be necessary and not be embittered, to keep a few friends but these without capitulation—above all, on the same grim condition to keep friends with himself—here is a task for all that a man has of fortitude and delicacy."

The date of the Tea is Saturday February 25th, at 3 p. m. Admission ten cents. All are cordially invited to attend. As the Stevenson set is very expensive, a large attendance is particularly desired.

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THE STEVENSON TEA.

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Mrs. Branner's hospitable home on the campus was thronged with nearly two hundred guests Saturday afternoon on the occasion of the Stevenson Tea.

A musical program arranged by Mrs. Genevieve H. Wright, and consisting largely of Stevenson's songs was well received. Miss Ina Griffin, of Oakland, rendered a piano solo. Stevenson's verses, "The Shadow," were sung by Miss Lunt, and Mrs. Ross gave the "Land of Nod." A chorus of children consisting of George, John, and Elsie Branner, Hazel Green, Katrina Fairclough, and Olaf Jenkins, sang very pleasingly, these charming little songs by Stevenson, "In Winter I get up at Night," and "The Swing." The Stanford Girls' Glee in their white duck uniforms were a prominent and interesting feature of the program. They gave two numbers, a "Lullaby" and "A Charming Young Fellow."

Mrs. Jordan's reading of extracts from Stevenson were particularly delightful.

While the program was in progress, Mrs. Professor Newsome presided at the artistically decorated tea table, and with her assistants dispensed the hospitality of the hostess.

Mrs. G. R. Parkinson graciously received the offering that each guest dropped into the basket upon entering. and at the close of the day it was found that from the receipts at the door and the proceeds from the sale of the Stevenson cards. $25 had been netted to the Public Library. This amount together with a small sum from the proceeds of the Shakespere Tea was sufficient to purchase a handsome set of Stevenson's works in thirty-seven volumes.

The fame of these Authors' Teas seems to have gone abroad for each one is more successful than the preceding one.

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WOMAN'S CLUB.

A very able address was delivered by Professor Fetter before the Woman's Club on Wednesday. The lecture was profoundly stirring and was particularly interesting inasmuch as it dealt to a certain extent with the line of thought taken up by Dr. Jordan in his sermon on "The Man with the Hoe."

"The wage question," said Professor Fetter "is the social question, and if it is a social question it is also a question of character. One writer has said that all man can do is to move things. The whole problem of life then resolves itself into the question of moving things at the right time and the right place. But this moving of things requires more than physical power. To move things at the right time and place is also a matter of intelligence. Every kind of human activity therefore, must have some intellectual power behind it. Thirdly, the conditions of modern society require in a man the quality of morality or character. Where the relations are between man and man, honor, fidelity, and promptness are necessary. Not the least of these requirements is promptness." The speaker then went on to show how much the whole machinery of modern industrial society depends upon the watch. In business affairs the matter of a single minute may mean thousands of dollars. The man who is not prompt can not hold a good position simply because his employer can not place the dependence in him that the business requires.

Self control, the ability to put aside the desire of the moment, is another most important qualification for success in the industrial world. For example the man who can not resist the temptation to drink is not likely to make a desirable employe.

Lack of character is the great cause of the wretched condition of our working classes. Professor Fetter told an interesting story of a newspaper proprietor who engaged a number of boys to deliver his paper. Being a man of philanthropic ideas, he gathered in a lot of poor boys from the streets and gave the work to them. Gradually one after another was discharged for various reasons and new applicants were received. In the course of time it was found that the boys who were retained were mostly boys of well to-do parents, and people of position in the community. It had been simply a survival of the fittest. The point was that the boys who came from good homes and who had received the best home training were those best fitted to hold positions of responsibility and trust.

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The only way to help the working classes is to work for the upbuilding of character in them, and all charity that does not make an impress upon the character of the recipient is a failure. This is the meaning of the Boys' Club movement, and the Social Settlement work. Their aim is to improve the character of the individual, not to give alms.

Training in character belongs primarily to the home and that is where women have a great work to do. Whatever their outside sphere of work may be, women will always have a great influence within the home for they can get near to the hearts of children. Men also have their part to do. They should appear in public affairs so that the example of their character and work may make an impression upon the boys—for the man is the boy's hero. Men and women should work together, and if in "moving things" the task seems difficult, it is at least one point gained to know in what direction to push.

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Mrs. O. P. Dodge.....Secretary

Mrs. L. D. Emerson.....Treasurer

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An Afternoon of Lullabies.

Following is the program for a novel entertainment to be given at Fraternity hall, Saturday, October 7, for the benefit of the library. The proceeds will be used for the purchase of juvenile literature. The action of the town trustees in promising a contribution of $20 a month has greatly encouraged the ladies who are working for the success of the library. Admission to the entertainment will be 25 cents; children 15 cents.

PART I.

Scotland—"O, Hush Thee My Babie"
Double Quartette.
Lullaby—"Sleep, Baby Sleep" -
Mrs. M. N. McCaw.
Song—"In Absence" - - -
Messrs. Little, Wright, Smith, Nangle
France—"Dormez, Dormez" -
(With Violin Obligato)
Mrs. G H. Wright and Winifred Morgan
Africa—"Little Alabama Coon" -
Messrs. Little, Wright, Smith, Nangle
Lullaby - - - - - - -
Miss Eleanor Morris.
Negro Lullaby—"Kentucky Babe"
Messrs. Little, Wright, Smith, Nangle
Sweden - - - National Air
Winifred Morgan.
Lullaby - - - - - -
Dorothy Chase.
Dolly's Lullaby - - - -
School Children.

PART II.

England—"Sweet and Low" -
Stanford Girl Club.
Lullaby—Hood's "Serenade" -
Fred Wright.
Germany - - - - - -
Bertha Bacher.
Coon Lullaby—"Mammy's Little Colored Gal" - - - - -
Stanford Girls Club.
Japan—"Sleep, Little Pigeon" -
Dora Kimball.
Cradle Song—Ermine - - -
Miss Bacher and Girls Glee.
"Rock-a-bye Lullaby" - -
Lizzie McLachlan.
Violin Solo—Adagio, D Minor Concerto
Winifred Morgan.
Lullaby—"Good Night" - -
Stanford Girls Club.
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Mrs. L. V. Jagger, Accompanist.

ANNUAL RECEPTION OF THE PALO ALTO WOMAN'S CLUB

Fraternity Hall was the scene on Wednesday of a large gathering of women interested in the Woman's Club of Palo Alto.

The Club membership of one hundred and twenty-eight was amply represented, and guests numbering over two hundred swelled the throng of friendly and enthusiastic women.

The assembly was called to order for a short meeting, Mrs. Hutchinson presiding.

The secretary, Mrs. Dodge, read an interesting report, and announced the names of officers for the coming year, who were elected at the annual meeting of the Club in May. The names were as follows: President, Mrs. M. B. Culver; Vice-President at Large, Mrs. M. G. Campbell; First Vice-President, Mrs. S. A. Dyer; Second Vice President Mrs. J. D. Little; Third Vice-President, Mrs. S. K. Bradford. Heads of Departments: Household Economics, Mrs. F. W. Sherman. Science and Education, Mrs. A. L. Corbert. Philantrophy, Miss Hughes. Art and Literature, Miss Isabel Butler. Treasurer, Mrs. L. D. Emerson. Secretary, Mrs. Olive Dodge.

The absence of Mrs. Campbell, so long the beloved president of the Club, was much regretted. Her report will be read at the next regular meeting.

Reports for the past year by the heads of departments were given by the following: Mrs. Dyer for Philantrophy; Mrs. Culver for Art and Literature. Mrs. Mitchell Household Economics, (her paper being read by Mrs. Dodge,) and Mrs. Bingham representing Science and Education.

Mrs. Dodge also read Mrs. Dayan's report for the Village Improvement Committee, and Mrs. Gilbert, on behalf of the Library, gave a most significant and interesting account of this important branch of the Club's work. To Mrs. Gilbert and Miss Denton all praise is due for their devotion to and activity in this enterprise.

Musical numbers for the afternoon were provided by Mrs. Wright Mrs. Silsby and Mr. Scoville, Mrs. Jagger and Mrs. Wright both acting as accom panists.

Mrs. Wright sang the "Angel's Serenade." with beautiful effect, the piano and fine violin obligato adding their delightful part. Mrs. Silsby was unusually charming in her bright little song "The Jonquil Maid," while Mr. Scoville's violin solo, Rubinstein's Melody in F, drew enthusiastic applause. A second song by Mrs. Wright was also much enjoyed.

Mrs. Suiter presided over the tea room where elaborate refreshments of ice cream and cake were served by a galaxy of pretty young girls.

The decorations, in charge of Miss Isabel Butler, were greatly admired. Pepper branches and scarlet cannas were the scheme adopted for the main hall; while pansies, maiden's hair fern, hop vines, and grape vines with their fruit were combined with artistic taste in the tea room.

Sociability was the order of the afternoon, and the occasion proved in every way a most enjoyable success. One of the pleasantest features of the reception was the presence of a number of ladies from the Menlo Park Woman's Club.

The next regular meeting of the club will take place on Wednesday afternoon, October the fourth, in Fraternity Hall at three o'clock. It is hoped that many new members will join at that time. Mrs. Culver the new president will preside, and the program for the day will be under the direction of Mrs. Sherman, Chairman of the department of Household Economics.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1900

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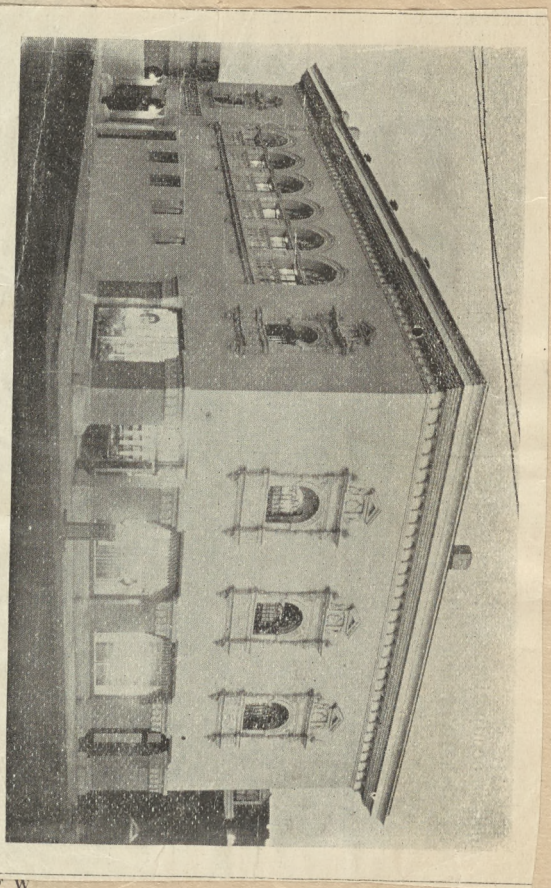

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On behalf of the Executive Board and in the name of the Club Mrs. Gilbert presented Mrs. Dodge with a water color picture of Poppies painted by the President, Mrs. Culver, as a slight acknowledgement of the very great debt the Club owed its Secretary for her wise and faithful services to the Club.

The Club then adjourned for a short social meeting during which time strangers were made welcome and new members were enrolled.

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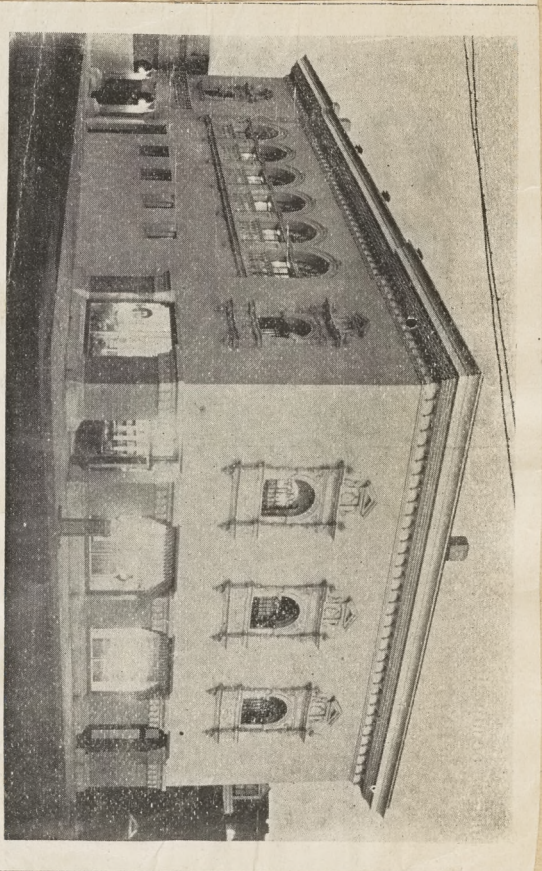

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A SUCCESS.

The Mardi Gras Market opened betimes on Saturday morning. By sitting up o'nights Mr. Parkinson had gotten the room ready for the occasion and by eight o'clock contributions began to pour in. Not only the skillful housewives brought of their stores, but the grocers of the town sent in liberal donations, so that the white capped peasants were kept very busy assorting and arranging their supplies. Customers also came early, and with shrewd foresight bargained for pies and cakes yet in the oven.

About noon there appeared in the window a charcoal legend "Lunch now ready" while the odor of fragant coffee enticed the passer-by. The 'bus men showed their interest in the affair by directing tourists arriving on the noon train to the market, until for a time the market women were obliged to desert their stalls and lend a hand in serving lunch.

By three o'clock every thing in sight was sold out, excepting some ivy plants. The ladies could have sold three times as much if they had had it to sell. As it was they cleared about $60.00 which will be judiciously expended by the Village Improvement Committee.

The success of the Market, as of the Christmas Fair, was largely due to the fact that it was a town affair, supported and patronized by the town in general, and any influence which thus unites our community has a value far exceeding that of the immediate financial returns.

given by The Woman's Club of Palo Alto

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Palo Alto Woman's Club was held at Fraternity Hall Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

After the opening prayer by the President, Mrs. M. B. Culver, Miss Bell of the University rendered a fine piano solo.

The question of a Club color which had been mentioned at a Board meeting was presented and the unanimous vote was for Cardinal and Silver

A communication was read from "California Club" San Francisco, asking that Palo Alto Club join with other clubs of the State in a petition to Governor Gage praying that at least one woman physisian be appointed as assistant in all insane hospitals where women are incacerated. The Club acquiesed and the Secretary was instructed to carry out the decision.

Mrs. Corbert of the Science and Education Department in a few well chosen remarks introduced Mrs. Brown,the popular kindergarten teacher, who after announcing her subject "What Should be Expected of Children," said that she had come to talk with and not to the ladies and as a theme for the conversation which she wished to engage in and used the following notes:

WHAT SHOULD BE EXPECTED OF CHILDREN.

Only that which childhood is capable of should ever be expected of little children, and to learn what is expected of children is, indeed, of great importance.

I am willing to state with positive assurance that children as we know them are capable of obedience, courtesy and reverence only in a degree corresponding to their stage of development, I confess not from the adults standpoint.

In fact children are not, as we are being told now-a-days, by scientists, born in the world animals; neither are they perfect as portrayed in art and literature. They are instead, both perfect and imperfect at the same time; In this, however, all children are alike—little and big—all have these two natures, or rather this dead nature: hence our relationship. This very thing makes all men brothers, no man can claim any supremecy over another. He can only show it by the way he lives. Every human being has the rising and ascending nature that is gained, and grown through and by, constant effort, and every human being has the indolent, selfish nature that is cultivated by doing only that which costs little effort. There is continuous warfare between these natures of men. It is the very thing that necessitates education. Indeed education has for its *one* purpose, the putting of restraint upon the selfish nature and encouraging the unselfish nature to grow.

People are fond, in this day, of saying, "O let the children have a good time." There is no good time about wrong doing. A child left to his own irrationality does not know how to have a good time. I feel like saying to those people, "What are *we* here for?" Why is it in the great and orderly plan of creation that grown people and children should forever be found together, if it was not meant that we should help children and they help us. Two very favorite expressions among kindergarteners of today, are: "*Follow the children*," and"Let the child lead in all we do." They fail to consider which side of the child's nature is worthy of leadership—which will do to follow—hence, are very apt to follow the conspicious irrational nature of the child, to the great detriment of both themselves as well as the children.

We certainly must follow and foster the good impulses of children; and only through his natural inpulses and instincts, can we educate him; but I would caution anyone who concludes to follow the whims of a child—"Take care you do not follow them to perdition,'

There are two important reasons for placing a restraint upon the conspicious nature of children.

First—to save them from injuring themselves.

Second to save others from being injured by them.

My claim for childhood is this: that from the earliest infancy, children may be allured toward the the good and the true joy and disgusted with its opposite.

Let us go back to the first statement concerning the capacity of the child and study together ways and means of developing obedience, courtesy, and reverence, for indeed it is the harmoniously developing nature of the child that feeds the sacred fire of love even in a mother's heart."

At the conclusion many earnest inquiries were made of Mrs. Brown both from young mothers and those whose children have reached adult age. Altogether the subject proved very interesting and Mrs. Brown was tendered a hearty vote of thanks

The social session of fifteen minutes was spent in renewing old acquaintances and making new ones.

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RECEPTION.

Mrs. Robert Burdette, President of the new State Federation of Woman's Club, was received by the Palo Alto Woman's Club this afternoon in the parlors of Fraternity Hall. The ladies had made the rooms beautiful with an artistic arrangement of pure white lilies, trailing smilax and La France roses.

Mrs. Burdette was introduced by Mrs. M. B. Culver, Pres. of the Palo Alto Club, and the hearts of all present were immediately won by the graciousness of this gentle and wise mother of all the California Clubs. Mrs. Burdette spoke of the benefits of club life to women and what it should mean to the community. The club is a beneficent factor to the community through the homes. The inspiration that the woman gathers in the club is given out again to her children and her husband. It becomes an influence in the educational world and in civics. Mrs. Burdette's creed in women's work is "no work should be undertaken by women that does not come from her home, return to her home and always be secondary to her home." The present Woman's Club is an evolution from the self culture clubs of ten years ago. These are finding that self culture which is simply self culture can never be culture at all. It must be put to practical use.

What the Federation means to the individual club in breadth of association and breadth of sympathy was touched upon with great earnestness.

At the close of the lecture Mr. Burdette, or as he called himself, "the husband of Mrs. Burdette" was invited to the platform. This was an unexpected treat. That Mr. Burdette's remarks were happy and humorous, and that the audience enjoyed his every word goes with out saying.

As Mrs. Burdette was obliged to leave on the afternoon train, only a short reception was held, but every club women present was grateful for the opportunity to greet and press the hand of one with whom they had bonds of personal relationship through federation.

The Art and Literature department of the Woman's Club will give a 10 cent social at Fraternity Hall on Wednesday afternoon March 28. The proceeds will be devoted to buying pictures for the Public School.

A 10 cent social will be given at Fraternity Hall next Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5. A delightful program has been arranged, and tea will be served. The social will be under the direction of the Art and Literature Department of the Woman's Club.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

The Woman's Club met at Fraternity Hall on Wednesday, November 1, at three o'clock.

After the reading of the minutes and some other communications, an address was given by Mrs. Ruth Murray on "Methods of Benefiting our Fellow Men."

"The philanthropist is not a warrior but an artist," for he is a builder and not a destroyer.

Enthusiasm and humility are essential to the accomplishment of effective work; but enthusiasm must be guided by good judgment.

The philanthropic maker must bear in mind that those whom he would benefit are like himself members of the human family, possessing the same great Father. With this thought in mind the worker will avoid that condescension of manner which would be fatal to the success of his efforts.

Tact, sympathy, and trust are also indispensable parts of the philanthropist's outfit. Without such equipment his well meant efforts will usually be repulsed. In work among prisoners it must be remembered that the prisoner will not be benefited by upbraiding, but by a glimpse of something higher for which he may still hope and strive.

Numerous illustrations, drawn from personal experience or from the experiences of friends, showed the effect of extending a helping hand, with tactful sympathy and trust, at a crisis in the careers of those suffering from poverty or wrong-doing. One instance may be cited.

A man serving his term in prison for forgery became known to a philanthropic lady visitor. When he was released, the lady gave him an opportunity to earn his living in an environment where no one knew of his transgression. Untrammeled by the prejudice from which he must otherwise have suffered, the man started out anew and rose gradually to the high position in the community which his intellectual attainments and his awakened moral sense fitted him to occupy. Not only was the man himself saved, but his family escaped the degradation and want which might easily have been their lot.

Turning from the consideration of rescue work to preventive work, Mrs. Murray spoke briefly of the great good accomplished by college settlements, of the summer outings for city children, and of the fruit and flower missions.

The speaker alluded with appreciation to the Public Library, and expressed the hope that Palo Alto would not forget another preventive agency, of great importance from the philanthropic standpoint—the provision for public parks. Six years ago Palo Alto scarcely existed as a town. What growth will take place in the next six years, it is impossible to predict; but the most suitable sites for parks would then probably be unattainable.

Public Parks.

In conclusion Mrs. Murray spoke of the philanthropic work which should receive the attention of every housekeeper depending upon the service of others to keep her domestic machinery in motion. Many complaints are made of the imperfections of maids. But was there ever a perfect mistress? The routine of domestic work is monotonous. Upon the mistress devolves the duty of varying the monotony of daily routine and brightening, by her own interest and kindness, the life of "the stranger within her gates."

After the presention of two or three items of business, and a song by Miss Spurgeon, the meeting adjourned.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall, Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 3 p. m. Professor Webster of the Economic Department of th University, will speak on t "Hope of Progress."

The Woman's Club held their regular meeting in Fraternity Hall last Wednesday. The weather being so disagreeable only a few were in attendance and the lecture on "Hope of Progress" by Professor Webster of the economic department of the University was postponed.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall, Wednesday, December 6th at 3 p. m. Mrs. Mary Roberts Smith will address the club on "Home decoration and furnishing."

LUNCHEON.

Mrs. M. B. Culver, president of the Woman's Club entertained the Executive Board at one o'clock luncheon Monday afternoon The club colors were beautifully blended in the artistic decorations of the dining room. Soft red lights, cardinal streamers and silver tinsel made an enchanting scene. The guessing of conundrums furnished pleasant entertainment during the progress of the luncheon. The souvenir cards were of cardinal with dainty designs in silver, the work of the hostess.

Those present were Mrs. Emerson, Dyer, Green, Gilbert, Beal, Corbert. Culver, Dodge, Ford, Sherman, and Little.

Club colors.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

The Woman's Club held a pleasant Social Tea on Wednesday of this week. An excellent program consisting of music by Mrs. Starbuck and Mrs. O. M. Johnston. A recitation by Mrs. Fetter and a selection by the Girls' Mandolin Club gave much pleasure.

The affair was in charge of Mrs. Beal, Chairman of the Department of Art and Literature. This Department is arranging to place pictures in the Public School and the proceeds of the afternoon will be devoted to that purpose.

The effective decorations were the work if Mrs. Olive Dodge. The initials of the Department were prettily worked in red geraniums on a bank of white flowers. Light refreshments were served by members of the Club.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

The program for the regular meeting of the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon was under the Department of "Home and Household." Prof. Mary Roberts Smith read some chapters from a paper on "Home Decoration and Furnishing" which she has been preparing for publication

Mrs. Smith made two divisions of the subject, the principles of home decoration and the application of the principles. The general principles are always the same but the application allows room for discussion and the display of individual taste.

Taste is an acquired thing. With most people it is a matter of cultivation. It can be cultivated by seeing beautiful things. Man has obtained his ideas of beauty from certain principles of form and color in nature. Nature always appears in curves, never in angles. Soft colors prevail; vivid colors are used sparingly. Again, nature never makes a hundred things alike. If nature is followed, the back-ground of the home will be in soft tones livened up here and there with patches of brighter hues. It is absurd to make articles of furniture exactly alike. It is the individual touch in the hand made article that makes it valuable and beautiful. Furniture should be such as will best conform to the ease of the persons who are to use them. Its freedom from dust and ease for the user are the best tests of its suitability.

It should be the first effort of the good house keeper to keep dirt out of the house. This means the doing away with carpets and heavy hangings which collect and retain dust and microbes. Painted floors with rugs which can be taken up and cleaned often are more hygienic and give less trouble. No such upheaval as the annual house cleaning is necessary. The rugs should not be too large for one person to handle and should be heavy enough material not to kick up when on the floor.

Furniture should be such as can easily be moved and cleaned. Decoration that is meaningless is vulgar. The increased facilities for the turning out of mill-work has vitiated the taste of the American people; Furniture should be ornamental through its own gracefulness of form. Useless groves and twists are ugly and only serve to collect dust. In every case all ornamentation should be subordinated to the use to which the article is to be put.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall, Wednesday Dec 20th at 3 p. m. Prof. Goebel of Stanford University will address the Club on "Modern German Folk's Song."

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

Those who were not present at the meeting of the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon missed a rare treat. Mrs. Terry rendered two vocal selections which were well received. Mrs. Jagger accompanied her.

Miss Isabelle Butler's department "Art and Literature" was well represented by Prof. Goebel of Stanford in his lecture on "Modern German Folk's Song" After speaking of the intimate relationship between the German and English languages and the influence of music upon all nationalities, he took us at once away from crowded cities to that enchanted region along the Rhine where nature invites the poetic and artistic instincts to breathe forth their utterances.

The German people by their associations and surroundings have been particularly endowed with a wealth and richness of these songs which will bind them together for all time. It is not an unusual thing for a German youth to be able to reproduce from memory hundreds of songs particularly adapted to all ages and conditions of the people.

The spinning maids with their wheels keep time to the rythmical songs of love and adventure.

The reaper girl sends her ring on a voyage in river and sea to reach her lover at the Kings court while she sings the happy summer days away in dreams of happiness.

The simple love ballads are often varied with epics and lyrics of graver tone while adventures and thrilling scenes are portrayed with morals woven into the fabric which need no tabulation.

We are sorry that we cannot give a more extended notice of that interesting lecture but will again say that it was a treat.

The Woman's Club will meet January 3rd at 3 p. m. at Fraternity Hall. An informal talk will be given by Miss Meredyth Woodward on Frœbels Five Knights—discussion of the right uses of praise and blame in the development of Children's characters. The subject will be illustrated by the story of how "Cedric Became a Knight."

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The Woman's Club held its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon. Owing to the sudden illness of the speaker for the day, Miss Meredyth Woodward, the Club was disappointed in what had promised to be an interesting lecture on the "Five Knights" of Frœbel.

The topic being thrown open to the Club for an informal discussion, Mrs. Culver, gave the history of Knighthood as it was practised in the 14th century, and Mrs. M. J. Green gave the application which Frœbel had made of it in his Kindergarten Plays.

It was decided to hold an Art Social on the next regular meeting in place of the usual lecture.

There will be a short musical and dramatic program and the meeting is open to the friends of the club.

The Woman's Club will give an Art Social on Wednesday January 17th instead of the regular lecture. Members and friends are invited. Fraternity Hall 3 p. m.

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THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

Art, music, flowers, and a large gathering of Club women lent a festive air to the beautiful parlors of Fraternity Hall Wednesday afternoon. The occasion was the Art Social given by the Woman's Club in place of the regular lecture for the day, under the department of Art and Literature.

Some of A. C. Pillsbury's beautiful Alaskan views and a group of humerous sketches by R. K. Culver were pleasing both for their artistic merit, and for the air of sociability which they created.

Mrs. Silsby sang very prettily "Midsummer Dreams," Mrs. Jagger accompanying.

The little farce entitled, "A Fair Encounter" and given recently before a Palo Alto audience was repeated to the great pleasure of the guests. Miss Paula Wright and Miss Alice Day were admirable in their characters of mistress and maid.

The reputation of the Club for hospitality was well sustained by Mrs. Leake and Mrs. G. R. Parkinson who, with their able corps of assistants, served the guests with fragrant tea from pretty tea tables. The Club colors, cardinal and silver, were effectively carried out in red geraniums and dusty-miller.

The President, Mrs. M. B. Culver, was assisted in receiving by the members of the Executive Board.

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The Palo Alto Woman's Club expresses its sincere thanks to the Faculty Dramatic Club for the recent generous contribution to the Public Library, and its appreciation of the kindly spirit which inspired the Dramatic Club in this good work.

SUSAN DYER, Pres.
OLIVE DODGE, Cor. Sec.

Christmas Fair. 1899

The Woman's Club will give its annual fair for the benefit of the Library about Dec. 12th. The affair will this year take the shape of a "Living Calendar." The twelve months will be represented by twelve booths, in each of which will be found something appropriate to the month, from the calendars of January to the ice cream of July; the mince meat and pies of November to the Christmas gifts of December.

Since the Library is an institution of general interest—of the town, for the town, by the town—every woman of Palo Alto is asked to contribute something toward the success of the affair. There are pies and cakes to be baked, dolls to be dressed, fancy work, housekeeping helps and Christmas gifts to be manufactured. If every woman will do a little, the success of the fair would be assured.

The good work would be greatly aided if those willing to contribute would communicate with Mrs. Olive Dodge or Mrs. Julia R. Gilbert.

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The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall, Wednesday Feb. 7th at 3 p. m. Mrs. Anna Botsford Comstock, will address the club on "The Effect of Nature Study on Child's Character." Persons who are not members of the club or do not possess guest cards will be charged an admission of 25 cents.

We call special attention to the lecture on "The Effect of Nature Study on Child Character" by Mrs. Anna Botsford Comstock, which will be delivered at the Woman's Club in Fraternity Hall, tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Comstock has won the admiration of her listeners on this lecture and no mother can afford to miss it.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

A large audience was present at the Woman's Club, Wednesday afternoon, to listen to Mrs. Anna Botsford Comstock on "The Effect of Nature Study on Child Character." Mrs. Comstock is interested in the movement which has been started in New York State, to introduce Nature Study into the schools. Her lecture was based on her own observation of the results of the work in New York. Her remarks were in part as follows:

Nature Study is particularly appropriate to the child because he is always interested in the things around him. The main object of nature study is to preserve in the child his natural power of observation. If we repress his tendency to observe and to see the relations of things, by turning his attention too much in other directions, he loses the power of seeing—we will have made him blind.

Next in importance in the value of the work is the knowledge which the child gains. It gives him great pleasure to know about the things which he sees around him. The facts of nature are to him like beautiful stories. He lives in a world made beautiful by his knowledge. Another effect of the child's training in observation is to make him truthful. He soon finds that his discoveries have no value unless they can be proved. He demands that the statements of others shall be proved and he, in turn, learns to give the same accuracy. Much of the lying in the world comes from not seeing things clearly. Seeing things clearly and quickly leads to correct statements.

The training in truthfulness does not detract from the child's imaginative powers. He knows things to be so wonderful that anything may seem possible to him.

The argument that if we teach the child to kill things we will teach him to destroy, does not apply to nature study. On the contrary, it teaches him to preserve life. He will not enjoy thoughtless killing. He knows the nesting habits of the birds, or understands something of the wonderful life of the insects, and it will be his interest to protect them.

Out of door life is especially good for the precocious and self conscious child. His interest in nature takes his thoughts away from himself. This point alone has been a great boon to the teachers of such children.

The most important and most wonderful effect of the work in the New York Schools has been upon a class of children known there as truants. It has had a marvelous success as a factor in discipline. The unruly and indifferent pupil becomes fascinated by the work. He becomes tractable and interested in his school life. Nature work may be so correlated with other branches of work by the skillful teacher, that the child's interest in the one, leads him to better work in the others.

The speaker urged the importance and value which the companionship with nature had both for the child and the mature man.

In addition to Mrs. Comstock's interesting lecture, the club enjoyed a pleasing musical program. Mrs. Wright gave a charming solo with violin obligato by Mr. Fred Wright. A violin solo by Master Ed. Sherman, accompanied by Miss Gussie Upham, and a vocal solo by Master Arthur Dodge gained many compliments for the youthful performers.

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on Wednesday afternoon, September the tenth

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Mrs. J. F. Parkinson
President

Mrs. Oline Dodge
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The Woman's Club held its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Starbuck favored the audience wiih some exquisite music. Mrs. Yost gave a pleasing variety to the program with a recitation on "The Old Woman who Lived in the Shoe," an allegory on Great Britain "who has so many children she does not know what to do." For a encore Mrs. Yost recited Matthew Arnold's "Self-Dependence."

The lecturer for the day, Prof. D. H. Webster, was introduced and spoke on "The Hope of Progress." He said the subject must be at best. a speculative one. The sciences of Sociology and History can only tell us what the past has been. They cannot penetrate the veil that is before them.

The speaker went on to say that there have been different periods in the world's history that have made toward progress, such as the Renascence, the Reformation and our own era of political freedom. The question arises whether this same progress will be continued in the coming century. Instances were cited of nations which had reached a high degree of progress only to be overtaken by some disaster. However there is much to encourage us. There are no barbarian hordes to swoop down upon us such as the Romans had to fear. The material wealth of the world is greater than ever before. Education has become more wide spread. Our humanity is kinder and nations treat each other more in accord with the Golden Rule.

Among those things which tend against progress were mentioned the enormous increase in population. the growth of cities, the increase in trusts and corporations which make it more and more difficult for a man to rise by his own efforts. Other points were the increased militarism and the dangers of socialistic tendencies.

The speaker's conclusions were that the only permanent hope of progress lies in the moral strength of the members composing the social life.

There will be a reception by the Woman's Club, to Mrs. Robert J. Burdette, of the State Federation of Woman's Club, at Fraternity Hall, on Friday, 2:30 p. m., March 2d. Mrs. Burdette will address the Club. The meeting will be open to all and a full attendance is desired. M. B. Culver, President.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall, Wednesday March 7th at 3 p m. Rev Henry Fisk of San Francisco will address the club.

Wednesday March 7th Rev. Harry Fisk, the pastor and superintendent, of the "People's Place," a social settlement, founded upon a religious, but unsectarian basis, in a thickly settled north-side district of San Francisco. will address the Woman's Club. Mr. Fisk has devoted much time and study to Social problems, in the East as well as in California, and his account of the aims and methods of the "People's Place" will doubtless be of special interest.

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THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

Rev. Henry Fisk gave an interesting talk before the Woman's Club, Wednesday afternoon, on the work of the People's Place in San Francisco.

Introductory to his remarks, Mr. Fisk called attention to the change in the distribution of population in the last fifty years which had made such institutions as the Social Settlement necessary. Said he: "We are fast becoming a nation of cities. It is estimated that in 1920 there will be ten million more people in the cities than in the rural districts. Our modern city is the home of everything that is pernicious. It is weak in the constructive forces that go to build up society. The home is the weakest in the city. It can not be developed in the tenements,the garret and the alley. The city is the storm center of civilization. It gives use to all the questions, political, industrial and social that beset our civilization. We must save our cities if we would save our country. "Some rather startling statistics were brought out in connection with San Francisco. In 1871 the population was 178,000. In 1891 it was 330,000 and at the present time it is 360,000, showing an enormous increase in the rate of population. From the fact that there are 13,000 places where liquor is sold and that 22 per cent of the children do not attend school, it may be seen that there has been no corresponding moral and educational development.

The Home of which Mr. Fisk is superintendent is located at Hyde and Jackson streets and its work takes in the densely populated North Beach region, extending almost to the Latin Quarter. In this district there are no churches or missions, and only one public school It has a varied population including nearly every nationality. Its prominent feature is the saloon. and intoxicating liquor is sold at every fruit stand and grocery stand. Tne speaker denounced the cheap bake shops which are so numerous in the district. The miserable pastries gotten up catch the eye of the people, produce indigestion and create an appetite for drink. Furthermore, they show that the people do not cook and there is no home life.

The work of the People's Place is religious but not denominational The workers try to bring the uplifting spirit, and life of the Christ life into the darkness that they find. They believe that the religious element is a strength and not a weakness of the work. The principle of the work is preventive and not rescue. The workers, of whom there are eight in residence at the home, go among the people through visitation. They also try to reach the homes through the children for whom all kinds of clubs and entertainments have been provided. A free dispensary has recently been added to the work.

The Home is supported by voluntary subscriptions, donations and the revenue derived from the publication of its monthly journal, "The Golden Gate Pentecost." The possibilities of the work are infinite and it will branch out as fast as means and workers are provided.

The Woman's Club will meet Wednesday March 21st at 3 p. m. Prof. Flugel of Stanford University will give a talk on "Ludwig Richter, the painter of German home life."

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A very delightful program was presented at the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon, under the Department of Art and Literature. Miss Agnes Ritchie rendered two vocal solos and a recitation from Dickens by Mr. Bassett gave much pleasure.

Professor Flugel read a paper on Ludwig Richter, the great German painter. A large collection of his drawings and wood engravings, showing the characteristics of his work and illustrating Prof. Flugel's remarks, had been arranged on the wall for inspection by the club.

In sketching Richter's early life, Prof. Flugel showed that his artistic talents were developed very early. As a young man he was employed as assistant to his father who was also a painter, but receiving an annuity from the government he went to Italy to study. He remained in Italy several years and became devoted to Italian art. He returned to his native city of Dresden, a mature man, and a mature artist. He married and settled down as a painter amid most depressing surroundings. He painted Italian landscapes but his pictures did not sell readily. Gradually the human interest grew in his pictures. Human figures were introduced more often. He also began to notice the characteristics of his native scenery and was astonished at its beauty. His pictures of home scenery and home life took at once. His drawings became popular as illustrations for books and magazines. The art of wood engraving was reintroduced by him.

Richter was a great painter of childhood. He dealt with a world of children. It is noticeable that his families are always numerous. The Christmas tide is one of his favorite subjects, and his pictures are full of the real Christmas spirit. Many of his most delightful sketches were originally made for the pleasure of his own children.

Of his oil paintings, one of the finest is "The Bridal Procession" which received the gold medal at the Paris Exposition.

There is a great deal of humor in his pictures. Although he sometimes portrays the serious side of life, he touches it with a divine sympathy and love which brightens up all the dark situations.

Although his own life was full of sadness, his character and work were made beautilul by the thought that "God's kingdom begins in our own hearts."

The Woman's Club will meet Wednesday April 4th at 3 p. m. Miss Whittaker of San Francisco will speak on "Food and its Relation to Health," Miss Whittaker has just been selected as instructor in the Cooking School established by the "Conference of Charities" in San Francisco.

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Miss Whittaker of San Francisco addressed the Woman's Club at its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon, on the subject of "Food and its Relations to Health."

"The subject of the right kind of food," said Miss Whittaker, "is now recognized as a very important matter, but for a long time it was relegated to the background. Ladies did not wish to have anything to do with cooking and it was given over to ignorant and careless people. In this regard there has been a great change in the last few years. Cookery is now considered of sufficient importance for the attention of educated men and women. Sir Henry Thompson, an eminent English physician, who has given the subject much study, says that three-fourths of the illnesses arise from badly prepared or improper food. For this reason every physician should have a practical dietetic knowledge. Without doubt the time is coming when physicians will consider the study of the food question as important as that of the giving of medicine.

"The food question depends upon age, occupation, and climate. For example, children require food oftener than three times a day, while for adults three meals are sufficient. Oatmeal is considered unsuitable for California climate, as it is far too heating."

Miss Whittaker gave many suggestions as to the proper methods of cooking, and as to what she considered proper articles of diet. Among these, she considered soup very necessary. It is not important merely for the nourishment it contains as it will serve the purpose very well if it is no stronger than water. It is needed to start the gastric juices and prepare the stomach for the digestion of solid food. The speaker spoke particularly on the proper food for children, showing that the brain as well as the body must be nourished but not over-stimulated.

A congress of women in London has been making some statistical inquiries on the food question and has made some interesting dlscoveries. The International Congress of Women has taken a great interest in industrial education, especially on cooking, and hopes to bring about some much needed reforms.

The members of the Club found Miss Whittaker's lecture highly interesting and profitable.

Mr. Fred Wright furnished the musical part of the program very satisfactorily with a violin solo, and graciously responded to an encore.

Mr. Geo. E. Hansen of Berkeley has been secured by the chairman of the Village Improvement department of the Woman's Club to give an illustrated lecture on April 11th at 3 p.m. All are cordially invited.

The Woman's Club will hold an open meeting Wednesday, April 11th, at 3 p. m. Mr. Geo. E. Hansen of Berkeley has been secured to give an illustrated talk on park and landscape gardening. 1900

Considerable Club business was transacted. Notice was given of the annual election to be held in May and a nominating committee was appointed, consisting of Mrs. Geo. Parkinson, Mrs. Soper, Mrs. Moulton, Mrs. Brown, and Mrs. Rosebrook.

If it is found that sufficient interest is taken to warrant the forming of a class, it may be possible to secure Miss Whittaker to conduct cooking classes or demonstration lectures in Palo Alto.

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THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

A special meeting of the Woman's Club was held Wednesday afternoon. The program for the day was in charge of the Village Improvement Committee who had secured Mr. Geo. E. Hansen, a landscape architect from Berkeley, to address the club on parks and street improvements. The lecture was very interesting and extremely profitable as it was directly along the lines of work outlined by the Improvement Committee.

The lecture was illustrated with charts showing how public thorough fares could be laid out to follow lines of beauty as well as of utility, and giving suggestions for introducing green lawns and flowers into unattractive and dingy streets. The park systems of different cities were also illustrated by the charts. Boston has an especially fine system, having sixty public squares and twenty children's playgrounds.

Mr. Hansen presented his ideas as to improvements which might be undertaken in Palo Alto. He drew attention to the fact that nature had already given us a grand landscape in our oaks and urged that they be preserved at any cost. He went on to say that every effort should be made now, before it is too late, to acquire a piece of ground for a public square. It should be in the heart of the town, where it is most needed. The San Francisquito creek has in it possibilities for the making of a beautiful park or boulevard. The creek is one of the natural charms of the town, and something should be done at once to secure it and protect it from being made a dumping ground for rubbish.

The speaker believed that Palo Alto is much favored, as it is young and has few mistakes to correct. It has a chance to start right. Any improvement tending to beautify the town will redound to our benefit both in personal enjoyment and in an addition to the tax roll through the attraction of new settlers.

The Club was greatly enthused and encouraged by Mr. Hansen's practical suggestions and it is the hope of the committee to be able in the near future to take steps toward securing a town park or square.

Miss Carr added greatly to the pleasure of the audience by a charming vocal solo with violin obligato by Mr. Fred Wright.

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THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Club was held Wednesday afternoon.

The program consisted of music by Mrs. Silsby and readings from James Whitcomb Riley by Mr. Lee Emerson Bassett.

Mr. Bassett gave illustrations of the different characteristics of Riley's work. He showed that the strength and influence of his poetry lies in its humanity. Riley is a poet who speaks from the heart to the heart. He brings us close to nature and makes us delight in the fair and the good. Mr. Bassett's work has a rare charm for all who hear him, and his audience Wednesday was most appreciative.

The nominating committee at the last regular meeting reported the following ticket for the election on May 2nd:

President, Mrs. Culver; vice-president-at-large, Mrs. M. R. Smith; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Dyer; 2nd vice-president, Miss Selling; 3d vice-president, Mrs. Strong; recording secretary, Mrs. Bradford; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Dodge; treasurer, Mrs. Emerson.

An opportunity was then given to the club to nominate a second ticket from the floor with the following result:

President, Mrs. Gilbert; vice-presid ent - at - large, Mrs. M. G Campbell; 1st vice-president, Mrs. G. R. Parkinson; 2nd vice-president; G. H. Wright; 3d vice-president, Mrs. N. E. Malcolm; recording secretary, Mrs. G. B. Little; corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. J. Morris; treasurer, Mrs. L. D. Emerson.

BRIEFS

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall tomorrow, the 18th. Mr. Lee Emerson Bassett, will give a lecture reading on "James Whitcomb Riley."

The last meeting of the Woman's Club for the season will take place tomorrow at 3 p.m. at Fraternity Hall. A fine musical program will be presented, consisting of four part-songs: A ladies' trio, violin and banjo duet, vocal solos, etc.

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THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

On Wednesday the Woman's Club held its annual election of officers. When the votes were counted it was discovered that the places of 1st and 2nd vice-president were tied, necessitating a second ballot. The final result was as follows:

President, Mrs. M. B. Culver; vice-president-at-large, Mrs. M. R. Smith; 1st vice-president, Mrs. G. R. Parkinson; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Dyer; 3d vice-president, Miss Selling; recoiding secrecary, Mrs. Bradford; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Dodge; treasurer, Mrs. Emerson.

Mrs. Mary G. Campbell, founder and former president of the Club, was present and gave an interesting account of the clubs and club work which she had observed on her recent Eastern trip. The philanthropic and humanitarian side of the work is becoming most prominent and important and the culture clubs are everywhere learning that "we cultivate ourselves when we forget ourselves in doing for others."

A pleasing contralto solo was rendered by Miss Smith, accompanied by Miss Christina Rose, after which Prof. Mary Roberts Smith addressed the Club on the "New York School of Philanthropy." This school is the first one of the kind in the world and was established under the auspices of the New York Charity Organization Society. Mrs. Smith gave the history of relief-giving in this country and showed thc causes which led up to the establishment of [organized charity societies. The School of Philanahropy in New York has undertaken to give the necessary training for charity experts. It is in session for six weeks every summer. The students listen to lectures by experts, people who have given their lives to philanthropy and are celebrated in their line. They also visit charitable institutions and assist in the practical work carried on by the Charity Organization Society.

Mrs. Smith was in attendance at the school last summer and took the entire course. She gave an account of her personal experiences in the practical work of relief-giving in New York City which was highly interesting.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall Wednesday May 2nd. Professor Mary Roberts Smith will address the club on "The School of Philanthrophy of New York." Election of officers for the year 1900-1901.

FALL — 1900

The Woman's Club of Palo Alto will give its annual reception at Fraternity hall, Wednesday, September 19th, beginning promptly at 3 o'clock. It is hoped all friends of the Club not having received an invitation will apply to the secretary, Mrs. Olive Dodge, 446 Forest avenue.

A delightful musical program is being arranged by the musical committee to be given at the Woman's Club reception Wednesday, September 19th. Mlle. Elena Roeckel, contralto, of San Francisco, will sing two numbers, a prayer from Strdella, and "Nobil Signore." She will also sing a duet from "Stabat Mater" with Mrs. Wright. Miss Whissman will give two or three piano numbers and it is hoped that Mrs. Lathrop will sing.

The Woman's Club of Palo Alto

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Annual Reception

Fraternity Hall

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WOMAN'S CLUB RECEPTION.

On Wednesday, September 19, the Woman's Club of Palo Alto held its annual reception in Fraternity hall. This reception has grown to be one of the social features of our town; the club at this time throws wide its doors to all the women of Palo Alto and to many friends in the vicinity. Especial effort is made to invite all the strangers in our midst that they may meet and become acquainted with the Club and each other. In the stress of the first weeks of the University many women are so overwhelmed with imperative duties that formal calls upon strangers are impossible, but the cordial goodwill and social friendliness of the townswomen cannot be doubted by any one who meets this Club welcome. The President, Mrs. Culver, was absent in Pacific Grove on account of ill health but her duties were gracefully performed by the first vice president, Mrs. Dyer. Reports of the year's work were given by the secretary, treasurer and the heads of the Departments of Philanthropy, Home and Household, Art and Literature, Science and Education, Village Improvement, and Public Library, also a report from the committee on "Penny Savings" The officers for the ensuing year were installed as follows:

President—Mrs. Culver.

First Vice President—Mrs. Geo. Parkinson.

Second Vice President—Mrs. Dyer.

Third Vice President—Mrs. Dr. Selling.

Vice President-at-large—Mrs. E. L. Campbell. (Mary B.)

Philanthropy—Vacant by resignation.

Home and Household—Mrs. Morris.

Art and Literature—Mrs. Wright.

Science and Education—Miss Ora Boring.

Village Improvement—Mrs. M. J. Green.

Library—Mrs. Gilbert.

An invitation was extended to all new comers to become members of the Club. Mrs. Campbell, the vice president-at-large and the founder of the Club, was present and greeted the Club with a few words of hearty appreciation of their work.

After the reports a most enjoyable musical program was given under the direction of Mrs. Wright.

Aria from Stabal Mater - Rossini
Song - - - - - Meyerbeer
Miss Roeckel.

Beethoven Sonata - - - - -
Waltz - - - - - Chopin
Miss Whisman.

Duet from Stabat Mater - -
Miss Roeckel and Mrs. Wright.

The Club then resolved itself into a social company which lingered until after the dinner hour, enjoying the decorations by Miss Derby and the delicious refreshments which were in the capable hands of Mrs. Suiter and her assistants. A telegram from Mrs. Culver greeting the Club on its entrance upon a new year, and exhorting them to "rise and shine," came too late to be read to the Club.

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The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity hall, Wednesday, October 3d, at 3 p. m. Prof. Mary Roberts Smith will address the Club. Subject: "Observations on Women and Children Abroad."

Prof. Mary Roberts Smith addressed the Woman's Club. Subject: "Observations on Women and Children Abroad." The address was exceedingly interesting and a large number were in attendance.

Woman's Club Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Palo Alto Woman's Club was held Nov. 7th. After disposing of the regular routine business, the club was entertained with a vocal solo by Mrs. Silsby, after which Mrs. Wathy, head of the department of Philanthropy, introduced Dr. Dorothea Moore of the College Settlement of San Francisco, who addressed those present on "The New Philanthropy." The speaker endeavored, in the short time at her disposal, to give some helpful hints to the club in regard to future philanthropic work; also a short sketch of the work undertaken by the department of which she is a member in the California club in reforming the juvenile criminals of San Francisco. The talk throughout was very interesting, the only regret of the club being the limited time the speaker allowed herself.

Resolutions of condolence were ordered sent to the families of the deceased members Mesdames Field and Furbush.

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The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity hall, Wednesday, November 21st. Prof. B. E. Howard will address the club. Admission 25 cents to non-members.

On Wednesday, Nov. 21st. Dr. Burt Estes Howard will address the Woman's Club on "The Fitzgerald Version of The Rubaiyat, of Omar Khayyam."

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A largely attended meeting of the Woman's Club was held at Fraternity hall, Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Bert Estes Howard lectured on the subject, "The Fitzgerald Version of the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam."

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The Village Improvement Committee cordially invites the public, especially gentlemen, to attend the open session of the Woman's Club, Wednesday, December 5. A large audience is desired for the interest of Palo Alto's improvement.

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The Woman's Club will meet in open session Wednesday, December 5, at 2:30 p. m. Prof. Abbott of Stanford University will address the Club on "The Massachusetts Metropolitan Park Commission." An excellent musical program will be rendered.

Woman's Club Meeting.

The Woman's Club met in open session Wednesday afternoon and after the regular routine business the program begun with a vocal solo by Miss Nelson, who responded to an encore. A communication was read from the California Club calling upon all Woman's Clubs in California to unite in a petition to the State Legislature to pass some law for the protection of the meadow lark, the most useful of all birds in destroying noxious weeds and insects. This was followed by a vocal solo by Miss Mabel Krafter, after which Mrs. E. G. Green of the Department of Village Improvement introduced Prof. Nathan Abbott who spoke on the work of "The Massachusetts Metropolitan Park Commission."

The speaker took for his text the following from "Happy Life Essays" by Prof. Elliott of Harvard; "Our country is distinguished by an ardent return to the love of nature from which books and urbane life had temporarily only deserted him." He gave a very clear idea of the work accomplished by the Commission who was appointed by the Governor of Massachusetts. The district covered by the Commission includes forty-six towns and cities. The talk was made especially interesting by the many photographs, wood cuts and maps of the reservation. Among them being a number of photos showing the possibilities of park reservation in Palo Alto. In the discussion which followed Prof. Abbott's talk several suggestions of methods of village improvement were made. Some of which the committee hope in the near future to make use of. The program closed with a vocal solo by Miss Bertha Bacher and a mandolin and piano duet by Miss Gertrude Gatts and Mrs. Silsby.

The Woman's Club, will meet at Fraternity Hall Wednesday, December 19th, at 2:30 p. m. Mr. Grinnell of Pasadena, Cal., will speak on "The Birds of Palo Alto." Mr. Grinnell is a well known ornithologist, and has published many excellent articles on ornitholoical subjects, among these is the series of illustrated studies of birds which has been published in the Land of Sunshine the past year.

Woman's Club Meeting.

(Contributed.)

After the regular business meeting of the Woman's Club, and preceding an address by the Rev. Robert Whitaker, the club was entertained by two vocal solos by Mrs. Wright.

The subject of Mr. Whitaker's discourse, "Philanthropy of the Twentieth Century: Shall it be Justice or Charity?" was short and yet to the point; it was, in fact, an earnest plea for the rights of humanity. To do away with monopoly and give man his just rights and an opportunity to rise through that which honestly belongs to him, would be justice. To hold him oppressed and struggling, unable to stand for himself, while a sordid penny is dealt out to him, that is not justice. Let justice, not charity, be given. The word "philanthropy" is derived from that which means the love of man. And the true interpretation of it as it should be given on this earth is the giving of one's self and not that which goes to make a great showing. Mr. Whitaker named several of the world's great philanthropists, as Peter Cooper, Benjamin Franklin, Frances Willard, Florence Nightingale, and Clara Barton. All men and women, that beyond the relief which they have given suffering humanity by financial aid, have done the most by putting their whole lives into the work of helping others and giving what money could never bring, are true philanthropists. It is a thing not to be mixed with liberality; these people did more than palliate the miseries of life. Certainly, what John Hughes did for suffering prisoners was far in excess of mere comforts. Andrew Carnegie's gifts of public libraries are examples of pure philanthropy.

"No," said the speaker, "my idea of philanthropy is not that of John D. Rockefeller, though he gives millions to churches and charities. I confess to a larger measure of sympathy for such philanthropy as that of Henry George who believed in the equality of mankind; or of that able lawyer in Chicago who, seeing the necessities of his fellow men, turned aside from all personal things and is devoting his time to alleviating the sufferings of the oppressed."

"Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I unto thee." This is what we want now in this country. We stand at the crisis of the ages and it is the time to be earnest and outspoken. We should stand not for the charity that deals out a few cents (or even many) and gives old clothes, but for large manhood and womanhood. This should be the philanthropy of the twentieth century.

At the close of the address Miss Craft sang a lullaby song, accompanied by Mrs. Jagger.

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The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall January 16th at 2:30 p.m. Dr. Jordan will address the club on "Home Life in Japan." Admission to non-members 25 cts.

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owing to Dr Jordan's inability to speak on the above date Prof Cubberly spoke on School legislation,

Woman's Club Meeting.

(Contributed)

There was a large attendance at the open meeting of the Woman's Club Wednesday to hear Prof. E. P. Cubberley of Stanford University speak on "The Proposed Constitutional Amendments Pertaining to Educational Matters." Preceeding the introduction of Prof. Cubberley by Mrs. Gilbert, two very delightful vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. Pease, accompanied by Mrs. Jagger.

Prof. Cubberley, who is a member of the California Educational Commission, gave a most clear and interesting account of the condition of affairs in the present public school system, their laws and support, and particularly to the non-support of the high schools. The latter is considered as a secondary education and is maintained purely by private interests, though from here come many of our better law abiding citizens who show themselves of the greatest value in the matter of law and public questions.

Our heavy land owners and co-operations constantly feel the advantage and benefit of the high school graduate, therefore a tax should be levied there toward their support. The influence of that graduate will be felt throughout the world and the way should be made clear for him by abolishing that portion of the constitution which porhibits the support of the high school.

The question of the text-books now used was next taken up. The speaker did not hesitate to say that their construction was not up to the times and in fact that they were quite worthless, a statement that was met with silent approval throughout the assemblage.

Though twice the value was paid for the books and their use enforced to complete the benefit derived by the parties having the publishing in charge. A most radical change proposed by the educational commissioners was in management of the normal schools. Suggesting that they be made a part of the State school system and put under one board that shall be chosen for a term of ten years. Then a request for a certain sum towards their support be asked for and proportioned out among these institutions according to their needs, instead of relying on the capabilitins of their representative to secure what they needed.

Prof. Cubberley pointed out that last year San Diego received a greater financial aid than needed, simply because she had an able representative, while Los Angeles secured barely enough funds to meet the requirements of the school, and Chico was left in a most deplorable condition.

These are the the three constitutional amendments as taken up by the commissioners. Another important matter Prof. Cubberley spoke on is a compulsory law for attendance at the schools.

With the exception of cash boys who who shall be provided for either by their employers or allowed to attend night school, every child between eight and fourteen years of age shall attend school at least five months in the year. It shall be a legal oflense against parent and child for non-attendance without sufficient excuse, as, perhaps, illness.

An experiment that has been most successful in New York State, the commissioners deem advisable to establish here, making it provisional, however, with the cities. That is, to have a truant officer whose duty it shall be to arrest (seemingly) every child out of school and take them either to the parents or to the superintendont of schools. An effort will be made to impress upon the child that it is a legal offense and that a repetition will meet with punishment. That means attendance at a school where the studies continue the same, but a refining influence is thrown about them and capable teachers will endeavor to smother this first criminal instinct of the child.

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The Woman's Club of Palo Alto and the musical committee of the University and town, which brought the Henshels here, are making a strong effort to secure two lectures by Ernest Seton Thompson, author of "Wild Animals I Have Known" and other animal stories.

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VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT.

The Department of Village Improvement of the Woman's Club has just completed work upon the school grounds. Last year the lawns and walks were laid out and part of the lawns put in. In addition to this, refuse boxes were placed upon the streets, as convenient helps toward keeping the streets clean. The business men endorsed the movement by advertising upon the boxes, and the Trustees promised to see that they were emptied regularly and as often as was necessary. Bids were secured for making the boxes.

The School Board, the Town Trustees and the patrons who so generously aided the Club in this work will doubtless be interested in learning about the distribution of funds; therefore, thanking the friends who made it possible to do the work, the teachers for their co-operation, the janitor for his timely assistance, and the children, who have shown their respect and appreciation by their carefulness, the committee submits the following report:

Receipts—March, 1900, Woman's Club, $15 00; entertainment, $60,60; June, 1900, School Board, $25,00; advertisements on boxes, $98.00; total, $198.00.

Expenditures—School grounds, 1900, platting and preparing lawn, putting in 350 feet of crossings and walks, expense of dressing lawn, $43 55; Grass seed, sowing lawn, setting trees, $5.50; palms, $7 25; trees for roadside, $3.60; care of lawn for three months, $6.25; making, painting, lettering of refuse boxes, $60.50; postage, treasurer's book, paper, $1.25; total, $128 90.

Balance in treasury, January, 1901, $69 70.

Expense school grounds, 1901, completing lawn, furnishing and setting shrubs, loam, dressing work, $36.05; shrubs, $1.75. Total, $38.70.

Cash on hand, April 1, 1901, $31.80.

There will be a little additional expense in caring for the lawn until it is well started. It is also designed to put more gravel into the walks.

The committee has taken pleasure in the work of improvement and earnestly solicits the help of all in further work, especially along the line of keeping the streets free from refuse and in beautifying yards and roadsides.

While we are working toward a park, we can at the same time so beautify and improve Palo Alto that it can fittingly be included in the larger park. It is only necessary that we should be united and that each property owner should do his part, to make this one of the most beautiful and attractive places in the State.

Respectfully submitted for Woman's Club.

MARY J. GREENE,
Chairman Village Improvement Department.

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LIBRARY REPORT.

The fellowing is a statement of the condition of the finances of the Public Library on April 1, 1901:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, March 1st	2 43
Town appropriation	0 00
Donation fr[illegible]	00
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Woman's Club Meeting.

(Contributed)

A determined effort has been made by the members of the Woman's Club to bring before its sessions subjects of the greatest instructive value and a nnmber of distinguished speakers have been procured.

Wednesday Mrs. G. H. Wright introduced to the Club Miss Mabel Craft, editor of the Sunday magazine department of the San Francisco Chronicle.

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VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT.

The Department of Village Improvement of the Woman's Club has just completed work upon the school grounds. Last year the lawns and walks were laid out and part of the lawns put in. In addition to this, refuse boxes were placed upon the streets, as convenient helps toward keeping the streets clean. The business men endorsed the movement by advertising upon the boxes, and the Trustees promised to see that they were emptied regularly and as often as was necessary. Bids were secured for making the boxes.

The School Board, the Town Trustees and the patrons who so generously aided the Club in this work will doubtless be interested in learning about the distribution of funds; therefore, thanking the friends who made it possible to do the work, the teachers for their co-operation, the janitor for his timely assistance, and the children, who have shown their respect and appreciation by their carefulness, the committee submits the following report:

Receipts—March, 1900, Woman's Club, $15 00; entertainment, $60.60; June, 1900, School Board, $25.00; advertisements on boxes, $98.00; total, $198.00.

Expenditures—School grounds, 1900, platting and preparing lawn, putting in 350 feet of crossings and walks, expense of dressing lawn, $43 55; Grass seed, sowing lawn, setting trees, $5.50; palms, $7 25; trees for roadside, $3.60; care of lawn for three months, $6.25; making, painting, lettering of refuse boxes, $60.50; postage, treasurer's book, paper, $1.25; total, $128 90.

Balance in treasury, January, 1901, $69 70.

Expense school grounds, 1901, completing lawn, furnishing and setting shrubs, loam, dressing work, $36.05; shrubs, $1.75. Total, $38.70.

Cash on hand, April 1, 1901, $31.80.

There will be a little additional expense in caring for the lawn until it is well started. It is also designed to put more gravel into the walks.

The committee has taken pleasure in the work of improvement and earnestly solicits the help of all in further work, especially along the line of keeping the streets free from refuse and in beautifying yards and roadsides.

While we are working toward a park, we can at the same time so beautify and improve Palo Alto that it can fittingly be included in the larger park. It is only necessary that we should be united and that each property owner should do his part, to make this one of the most beautiful and attractive places in the State.

Respectfully submitted for Woman's Club.

MARY J. GREENE,
Chairman Village Improvement Department.

LIBRARY REPORT.

The following is a statement of the condition of the finances of the Public Library on April 1, 1901:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, March 1st		$292 43
Town appropriation		20 00
Donation from Woman's Club		5 00
From subscriptions		32 75
For lost book		1 00
From cards		2 45
From fines		6 84
Total		$360 47

EXPENDITURES.

Rent	$15 00	
Librarian's salary	30 00	
Janitor's salary	5 00	
Supplies	2 25	
Incidentals	1 91	
Books	1 93	$ 56 09
Cash on hand March 31, 1901		$304 38

Number of books issued, 1271; number of cards in force, 920.

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Pioneer Pleasantry.

It certainly will be reminiscently enjoyable—the "Old Settlers" entertainment to be given in Nortree hall on Friday evening, January 31st, under the direction of the Woman's Club. Early residents will give incidents amusing and otherwise, of pioneer life, a varied program will be provided and refreshments served. All this will be given for a quarter of a dollar, and it is hoped that a handsome sum will be realized for the benefit of the public library.

Unlimited Fun and Gingerbread.

Do not forget that on Friday night, the 31st, the "Old Settlers" entertainment will take place at Nortree hall, and you can have as many good laughs as will be healthy for you. There will be an amusing program, the features of which will be published next week. Then there will be coffee and gingerbread, and the entire affair, program, refreshments, Major Norris's lamp and all, will only cost you twenty-five cents.

The library has been thoroughly fumigated, and as soon as the books have been newly inventoried they will be ready for distribution. About one hundred books were not brought in at the appointed time, but as fast as they are received they will be put aside and fumigated. Feb 02

On the day the library was opened to the public, after it was fumigated, 110 books were given out. This shows that our reading room is appreciated.

watched her career since its beginning. She also spoke of the effort the Federated Clubs were making to save the Big Trees, going before the Legislature herself as representive of the San Jose Club in this movement.

After secretary's report the Club was entertained by two vocal solos given by Miss Southwood, accompanied by Mrs. Wright. The heartiness with which Mrs. Lathrop sang two quaint little Scotch ballads was very delightful.

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A short business meeting was held at half past two, at which the matter of saving the valuable oaks and other trees of Palo Alto were discussed. All the member were unanimous in the desire to protect the trees which greatly beautify the town and which, when once destroyed, cannot be replaced by any artificial adornment. A resolution was also passed in response to the request of the Woman's Parliament which met in Los Angeles, to support the amendment to the Civil Code pretaining to community property.

The musical program in charge of Mrs. G. H. Wright, was opened by Mr. K. Gardiner, accompanied by Mrs. Dingley, with two violin solos—Gounod's "Ave Maria," and Mascagni's "Caraleria Rusticana," exquisitely rendered.

Mrs. Yost's laughable recitation of the "One Horse Shay," was followed by a charming little love song by Mrs. Wright. One of the decided features of the program was a song-recitation of "Barbara Fritchie," given in costume by Mrs. Wilbur. The patriotic fervor with which each line was intoned, while the American flag was waved gently to and fro, gave great force to the piece and called forth much applause.

Mrs. Wilbur, who is a student from Perry's long established school of Dramatic Art, in St. Louis, was accompanied on the piano by her sister.

A delightful hour of chat midst the great bunches violetes and deep yellow acacia that filled the room, was enjoyed during the serving of tea and cake.

Social by Woman's Club.

The Woman's Club of Palo Alto will give a ten cent social tomorrow, Wednesday, February 6th, at 2:30 p.m. at Fraternity Hall. A short business session will be followed by the following program: Two numbers for violin, Mr. Gardiner accompanied by Mrs. Dingley; recitation, Mrs. Yost; song, Mrs. Wright; reading, Mrs. Wilbur; sociability over the teacups.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity hall Wednesday, November 6, at 2:30 p.m. Dr. Dorothea Moore of San Francisco will address the club on "Child Saving in Juvenile Courts." Admission to non-members, 25 cents.

The lunch given by the Woman's Club today was very liberally patronized, as it deserved to be, as an excellent dinner was served by many handsome ladies. The net proceeds were about eighty-five dollars, for the benefit of the library.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall Wednesday December 18th at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. O. L. Elliott will address the Club. Subject: "Interior House Decoration."

The Woman's Club met this afternoon at Fraternity Hall, and considerable of interest was discussed.

Reception Postponed

In deference to the feeling of National sorrow for the death of the President, the Annual Reception of the Woman's Club has been postponed to Wednesday, September 25.

Mrs. Olive Dodge,
Secretary

Mrs. S. A. Dyer,
President

The members of the Woman's Club will serve noon lunch for the benefit of the library on the 22d.

The Woman's Club of Palo Alto expresses its sincere thanks to the people of Palo Alto and vicinity for their generous contributions towards the "Library Lunch."

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The Woman's Club will meet Wednesday Feb. 20th at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. G. C. Price will speak on "Reminiscences of Italian Women." Mrs. Price has spent four years teaching in a girls' school in Rome and her reminiscences are of the Italian women of today and the results of recent experiences. An admission price of 25 cents will be charged to non-members. Also reports of the different departments will be given.

Woman's Club Meeting.

(Contributed.)

At the meeting of the Woman's Club of February 20th Mrs. G. C. Price gave an interesting account of the women of Rome and their customs.

Regarding their children many of the same pecularities that are evinced by the Chinese are evident with the Romans. While girls are highly thought of as girls, still there is much more rejoicing over the birth of a son. The daughter is always most carefully trained, especially in regard to her moral welfare. At eighteen her education is supposed to terminate and her attention turned toward the selection of a suitable husband. She must, however, be prepared to offer a goodly dowry for the men will always wait for the highest bidder. If a girl is too poor to offer this dowry it will sometimes be collected for her by the Catholic church or some benevolent society.

Elder people are treated with great respect and a daughter is always found to the left of her mother. They are always addressed first before any younger person present.

Children are sometimes allowed to go to convents, boarding schools and even colleges. They are very natural in their ways and if brought up before company to recite or in any other way they never display any consciousness of themselves.

A great difference is found between the Neapolitians and the Florentines. The Neapolitians are childlike and natural, while the latter are much more energetic.

Of course, all these sentimental Italians are great lovers of music and are extremely quick and intelligent in their interpretation of music. Many play the harp but the girls feel that is on the wane as it is played largely in the streets, so they now devote themselves more to the violin.

The Italians are quick to speak a foreign language and politeness seems to be an inborn instinct. Though no more friendly than Americans, they are always willing to stop and chat and never appear to be too hurried to stop on the street and talk all day if you wish. Birthdays are taken great notice of and they will make every effort to bring you happiness on that day.

Truthfulness does not seem to be a dominant feature of their nature, a lie to them seems to be quite as good as the truth.

Housekeeping, made so hard in our country over the servant problem, is easy in Rome. Help is plenty at the rate of four to six dollars a month. They always go bareheaded in the streets; if they desire to improve their circumstances they put on hats.

True Roman aristocracy is very exclusive and the women never clad themselves in tailor made suits but appear only in soft clinging robes of bright colors.

"A Noble Outcast."

The beautiful play, "A Noble Outcast" will be given at Nortree hall next Monday night for the benefit of the Woman's Club. The cast will be filled by local talent, aided by three professionals from San Francisco. Dr. Little plays a prominent part, supported by Messrs. Cleveland and Reynolds. Misses Spencer and Ramsay are exceedingly skillful as mother and maid. The leading lady's role is taken by Miss Lewis, a professional, who comes with high recommendations. She has had charge of the rehearsals during the past week and promises us a finished production.

The musical program is in the competent hands of Mrs. Wright. She will fill the interim between acts with vocal solos by Messrs. Couch and Woods and Master Arthur Dodge, while our deservedly popular Miss Gussie Upham will preside at the piano.

The curtain will be rung up at 8:30, at Nortree hall, Monday, March 17th. Reserved seats 35 cents, general admission 25 cents.

For civic benefit funds for library

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Nortree Hall was crowded on Monday night to witness the presentation of this pretty comedy, and all united in pronouncing it above the average of amateur productions. Miss Margaret M. Lewis had some difficulty in filling the cast, and had brought two professionals from San Francisco, who proved to be a strong support. The characters taken by our local talent were all successfully personated. The time for preparation had been very short, less than a week, but everyone had mastered his part perfectly. Some very good music was given between the acts, and the entire performance was satisfactory. The library will receive a nice little sum from the proceeds.

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IN FOUR ACTS

Nortree Hall, Monday Eve., Mar. 17

Benefit of the Woman's Club of Palo Alto

CAST OF CHARACTERS

John Weston, a Noble Outcast Mr. Frank Thompson
of the Grand Opera House Stock Co. S. F.

James Blackburn, a Villain,.....Mr. Fred Stevens
of the Alcazar Stock Co., S. F.

Col. Lee, a Banker.....Dr. Geo. Blakesley Little
Jack Worthington, a noble fellow, Mr. E. T. Cleveland
Detective Brown, of the right sort,..Mr. A. B. Smith
Mrs. Lee, the Banker's wife,.....Miss Anna Spencer
"Sadie" who knows what she's about.....
.....Miss Lillian Ramsay
and
Margaret M. Lewis as Francis Lee, the Outcast's Daughter

Act One—Home of Colonel Lee, the Banker.
Act Two—Reception Room at Col. Lee's.
Act Three—The Outcast's Home.
Act Four—Banker's Home Again, and all are happy.

Between the acts there will be four "VOCAL SELECTIONS" by Arthur Dodge, Mr. Woods and Mr. Couch. Mrs. G. H. Wright, Musical Director. Instrumental Music by Miss Upham.

Performance begins at 8:30
Reserved Seats 35c. General admission 25c.
Get your seats early and avoid the rush.

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Rev. Robert Whitaker will address the Woman's Club on Wednesday, March 6.

The Woman's Club will meet Wednesday, March 20, at 2:30 p.m. The students of Castilleja Hall will present the play, "Masques," in three acts. Ten cents admission to members of the club, twenty-five cents to non-members. Everybody welcome. At Fraternity hall.

Woman's Club Meeting.

(Contributed.)

"Masques," a three-act farce, was given before the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon at the regular meeting. Mch 20, 1901

It will be of special interest to note that the president in calling the meeting to order was aided by the use of a beautiful Brazilian rosewood gavel, presented to the club by Mrs. Martha Soule.

In the interval before the opening of the play, Mrs. A. B. Silsby, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Jagger, sang very sweetly two songs. Miss Lulu Maulsby followed with an instrumental solo, played with much technical skill.

"Masques," through the cleverness and artistic ability of the young ladies presenting it, proved worthy of the hearty applause it received.

Miss Shephard in the role of Phyllis, about whom the laughable plot circulates, held her part with decided strength, yet with gentleness of expression.

Perhaps it would not be unwise to give the credit due the young performers for the easy manner in which they spanned what nearly proved to be a disastrous situation.

Through the "greenness" of the curtain raiser certain valuable property was thrust out of sight, which should have been left in a most available position.

The cast was as follows:

Sophie..... Florence Blethen
Mrs. King
Phyllis.....Florence Shephard
Anna .....Marian Blethen
Former Schoolmates of Sophie
Laura.....Paula Wright
Fanny.....Lois Warren
Debutantes
Josephine ..... Miss Danbar

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall Wednesday April 10, at 3 p. m. President Jordan, will address the Club on "Home Life in Japan." An admission of 25 cents will be charged non-members, not having guest cards.

Dr. Jordan's Lecture on Japan.

The ladies of the Woman's Club and many visitors were entertained at the regular meeting with a delightfully informal talk from Dr. Jordan on his recent travels in Japan. The speaker, in the charming manner of a purely personal conversation, told of the hospitable manner in which the Japanese received him, and spoke of their customs and mode of living.

At Tokyo Dr. Jordan was assisted in his scientific researches by Otaki San, the first Japanese student entered at Stanford, and now a member of the Imperial Fish Commission. Wishing to see his former student in his own home with his wife, Dr. Jordan announced that he would call on a certain day. This idea was met politely, but without much enthusiasm, and the following day Otaki called to say, with much regret, that he had "misunderstood the day," thereby hinting that the intended visit should be withdrawn. But, wishing to see the home, Dr. Jordan presented himself on that day.

He found a small four-room house, built in the usual Japanese style. The uninvited guest was greeted with many salaams from the women present, but Otaki and his wife were absent. One of the women brought forth a photograph of Dr. Jordan, a close scrutiny of which seemed to satisfy her as to the identity of her visitor

Dinner, which is brought in on a small lacquered table, like a tray with two legs, generally consists of soup, made perhaps from chicken bone, heron wing and fish or wild fowl. Previous to this, tea and cigarettes are served. A tiny pipe containing just a pinch of tobacco is used more than the rolled weed. Soup is followed by raw fish, sometimes stuffed with rice; then pickles, which may be compared to shoestrings; and candy of horrible concoction. At this time stories are told. The rest of the dinner menu may be fish cooked in many different styles. Beef is not known, except as the Americans may bring it in, and no butter is made, but it is sometimes imported from Denmark. The tea, which is always served on one's arrival, is very pleasant, but too stimulating, much more so than that served in our own country.

At two in the afternoon the people take their siesta, and may be found asleep all over the floor. At night one is provided with two comforts to lie on, with one, silk lined and armholes cut in it, for covering. The women, in order not to disarrange their hair, which is elaborately put up by a regular hairdresser, rest their head on a wooden block edged with velvet

It is a custom for everyone to bathe before retiring, all in the same water; the guest first, then the man of the house, the women and the servants in turn. The water is kept uncomfortably warm by a fire under the tub, and no soap is used, it being considered vulgar to soil the water.

The Japanese are very polite and the home life is ideal. They are anxious to make use of every new invention, but European civilization has not changed the country, except as individuals may change their manner of dress or in some trifle, as the growing use of cigarettes.

They seem to consider America as an older brother and desire to benefit from our longer experience of civilization. In a talk with a government official, Dr. Jordan was told that much regret was felt over the expulsion of Japanese laborers from our country; it was unfortunate that men of the lower class had come here; if the United States would designate the kind of men wanted they would quickly supply them. But if we should pass an exclusion law prohibiting the landing of Japanese, war would be declared to avenge the insult.

On first hearing of Dr. Jordan's arrival in Tokyo the Governor of Sendia telegraphed asking him to lecture in that city, having read some of his lectures. He was met by the Governor and all the men of the place, dressed in black Prince Albert coats (dress of distinction), cards were exchanged and then each man came up and put out his hand to be shaken, not knowing how themselves. The lecture was interpreted by a student who will come to Stanford next year as instructor. Their language is very indirect, it taking twice as many words to express the same thing.

At another place where Dr. Jordan lectured, rooms had been engaged for him and the town decorated in flags and bunting. A delegate accompanied him to the next town each time after speaking to see that he arrived safely. Many beautiful and costly presents were bestowed on him, it being considered very impolite to offer money. After his third lecture, which by request was on "What Japan Had to Learn," he was given a piece of lacquer-ware made 250 years ago and decorated with the almost priceless gold lacquer.

The Governor of Sendia was anxious to know how to improve his country and Dr. Jordan took the opportunity to touch on the saloon and cigarette vices. Since leaving there he has been informed that a law has been passed prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to boys under a certain age.

The Americans are greatly liked and many Stanford men have gained entrance to the Imperial University though of late there has been some difficulty about it.

Mrs. W. F. Hyde spoke before the Woman's Club Wednesday of this week giving a very interesting account of the Russians as she met them in their own country during several months of travel. She gave a brief survey of the political and religious situation that exists in that land of gloom and suffering, from the time of Peter the Great up to the coronation of the present Czar, and the description of this latter ceremony from the graphic picture of peasants kneeling in worship to their great ruler down to the details of coronation robes and jewels was most fascinating. Following the speaker, Arthur Dodge, with an ability and sweetness most rare in so young an artist, sang "Elizabeth's Prayer" from Tannhauser and an encore in Italian.

A most delightful afternoon was enjoyed by the members of the Woman's Club during the reception tendered them by their Board of Managers. The general pleasure was increased by instrumental music and two vocal solos by Mrs. Wright. At a short business meeting, it was decided to aid the faculty ladies to engage two lectures from Ernest Seton Thompson, the famous animal-story writer. It is their desire to secure a rate of 15 and 25 cents for students in the high schools and grammar grades.

The invitation of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Club extended to the members for an "at home" at Fraternity Hall, this afternoon, was very generally accepted.

The Woman's Club, will meet Wednesday May 1, at 3 p. m. The annual election of officers will be held. Mrs. Wright, chairman of the Department of Art and Literature, has prepared a delightful musical program.

Women's Club Reception.

The annual reception of the Womans' Club is being held this afternoon at Fraternity Hall. The program will be:—

Violin Solo.....
.....Edward Sherman.
Department Reports.....
Piano solo.....
..... Mrs. Starbuck.
Recitation.....
.....Mrs. Joss-Jones.
Vocal solo.....
.....Miss Sue F. Bird.

The officers for the year 1901—1902 are:—President, Mrs. J. F. Parkinson; 1st. Vice President, Mrs Anne Zchokke; 2d. Vice-President, Mrs. Genevive Wright; 3rd. Vice President, Mrs. John Dudfield. Recording Secretary Mrs. M. A. Tetro; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Olive Dodge; Treasurer, Mrs. L. D. Emerson.

Departments—Science and Education, Mrs A. L. Corbert; Art and Literature, Mrs. A. E. Peck, Philanthrophy, Mrs. J. S. Wattr y; Village improvement, Mrs. E. F. Bell.

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Woman's Club Reception.

The Woman's Club gave its annual reception at Fraternity Hall on Wednesday afternoon. In response to the invitations that had been issued a large proportion of the ladies of the town were in attendance. The hall was artistically decorated with pepper tree branches and red geraniums. A brief program was rendered, as follows:

Violin Solo.....Edward Sherman
Piano Solo.....Mrs. E. D. Starbuck
Recitation.....Mrs. Joss-Jones
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Reports were read of the work done in the various departments: Science and Education, Mrs. A. L. Cobert; Art and Literature, Mrs. Anne E. Peck; Philanthropy, Mrs. J. S. Wathey; Village Improvement, Mrs. R. B. Bell. Much has been accomplished during the year by the enterprise of the club members, and the interest they take in the welfare of the town is most commendable.

The annual reception is designed as a purely social function, at which the ladies extend their hospitality to members and invited friends, and for the nonce business is laid aside and pleasure rules the hour. Such being the object the occasion is made wholly delightful. Of course excellent refreshments were served. The only regrettable feature of the affair, from a masculine standpoint, is that the men are excluded from sharing the pleasure of meeting with so many handsome and daintily arrayed ladies.

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Womans' Club Elects Officers.

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The annual ellection of officers of the Woman's Club was held Wednesday under the auspices of Mrs. Genevieve Wright, chairman of art and literature. An exceptionally fine musical program was rendered. Responding to the appreciative encores the following solos were given:

Master Arthur Dodge (accompanied by Mrs. Wright).....Vocal Solo
Mrs. J. B. Hall.....Piano Solo
Mrs. Prof. Lathrop (Mrs. Jagger, accompanist).....Vocal Solo
Mrs. J. B. Hall.....Piano Solo

The officers installed for the ensuing year are: President, Mrs. J. F. Parkinson; first vice-president, Mrs. A. P. Zschokke; second vice-president, Mrs. G. Wright; third vice-president, Mrs. John Dudfield; vice-president at large, Mrs. S. A. Dyer; treasurer, Mrs. Emerson; recording secretary, Mrs. Tetrow; corresponding secretary, Miss A. H. Guild.

1900

At the Womans's Club.

Dr. Halsey of the Economics department addressed the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon on "Village Ideals." He spoke of the good influence women exerted over the city boards of different localities and cited instances showing how susceptible men were to the advice of good women. Dr. Halsey divided his subject into three parts—health, convenience, and beauty. All systems of improvement must begin with the physical body, and our excellent water and sewer systems were a good foundation for health. He spoke of the poison oak that was a menace to health and advised the Club to wage war against it.

Village conveniences must be found in the pavements and sidewalks of the streets; a more adequate lighting system, and a drinking fountain. He advised that wheelmen be made to use bells and lanterns.

Nature has been so lavish of beauty in giving the mountains and magnificent oak trees, and abundant flowers, that we need do very little to make Palo Alto an ideal town. Dec 6 01

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The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity hall, Wednesday, January 15, at 2:30 p. m. Madame Murry will address the club. The subject will be: "Women Trustees for the Insane." An admission of 25 cents will be charged non-members.

The Woman's Club will meet on Wednesday, January 29, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. Robert Whitaker will address the club. Admission to non-members, twenty-five cents. No guest cards will be received at this meeting. '02

The Woman's Club met this afternoon, but owing to Madame Murray's being unable to address them, the afternoon was turned into a social event. '02

Members of the Woman's Club of Palo Alto intending to attend the Biennial at Los Angeles kindly send in their names immediately so that seats may be secured in the convention hall. Olive Dodge, secy.

Rev. Robert Whitaker addressed the Woman's Club this afternoon, his subject being "A Year in Old Mexico." Mr. Whitaker has lived in Mexico, and with his power of vivid description could not fail to make his lecture highly entertaining. Jan 27-02

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

1902 —— 1902

The regular meeting of the club was held yesterday afternoon, and was well attended, nearly one hundred ladies being present. After the minutes were read, the report of the nominating committee was called for. This committee was composed of Mrs. A. L. Corbert, Mrs. Geo. Parkinson, Mrs. J. S. Wathey, Mrs. G. B. Worrell and Mrs. R. B. Bell. They reported the following nominations: President —Mrs. C. H. Gilbert; vice-president-at-large, Mrs. J. F. Parkinson; vice-presidents, Mrs. Zschokke, Mrs. D. L. Sloan, Mrs. Ed. Lynn. Recording secretary, Mrs. Ed. La Piere; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Olive Dodge; treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Weisshaar.

The entertainment for the afternoon was of a musical nature, and Professor Jeffers had charge of the program. Professor Rolfe gave an instructive talk on Antigone, and the origin of the Greek drama, and Mr. Jeffers spoke at some length on the merits of Verdi and Wagner. The Girls' Glee Club from the high school sang the Anvil chorus, and the Chorus of Pilgrims, by Verdi. Miss Kendall

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity Hall Wednsday Feb. 5th at 2:30 P. M. Mrs M. A. Lakin will speak on: "What our children should read".

The meeting of the Woman's Club, announced for Wednesday, was postponed owing to the absence of a number of the members.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity hall Wednesday, February 19, at 2:30 p.m. The address of the president of the California Federation of Women's Clubs will be read, also the report of the delegates to the convention held in San Francisco, 4th to 7th. Tea and wafers will be served and a social afternoon enjoyed. -02

Mrs. Mary Grafton Campbell came down from San Francisco last Wednesday and addressed the Woman's Club. Mrs. Campbell was one of our pioneer residents, and one of our most progressive women. She was at the head of the movement to organize the Woman's Club here, and was its president for four years. She is an enthusiastic club worker. and retains a strong interest in our local club affairs.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity hall, March 5, at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. M. A. Lakin will address the club on "Juvenile Literature, or What Our Children Should Read." Admission 25 cents to non-members.

The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity hall, Wednesday, March 19, at 3 p. m. Mrs. Luther M. Scroggs, of Alaska, will address the club on the conditions of the northwestern coast of Alaska and will have map and pictures illustrating her talk. The afternoon will be in charge of the department of education and science. '02

Woman's Club Affairs.

An interesting meeting of the Woman's Club was held at Fraternity hall Tuesday afternoon, with a large attendance.

The committee on nomination of officers for the next year reported as follows: President, Mrs. C. H. Gilbert; vice-president-at-large, Mrs. J. F. Parkinson; vice-presidents, Mesdames A. P. Zschokke, D. L. Sloan and E. Lyman; recording secretary, Mrs. E. A. LaPiere; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Olive Dodge; treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Weisshaar.

Professor Rolfe gave a brief talk on Antigone, and Professor Jeffers gave an address on the works of Verdi and Wagner. The girls' glee club from the high school sang the Anvil Chorus and the Chorus of Pilgrims, and Miss Kendall gave two piano selections.

GIBSON TABLEAUX.

Lovers of Gibson and his characters will see many old favorites tomorrow night at Nortree Hall. The program will consist of selections by Miss Dora Kimball, Mr. Ira Woods, Miss Jane Bean, a reading by Mrs. Wilbur, in addition to the following tableaux:

Melting.
The Wonders of Palmistry.
Is a Caddy Always Necessary?
The Only Pebble on the Beach.
The Garden of Youth.
A Financial Predicament.
Little Story of a Sleeve.
The Last Day of Summer.
Tom Pinch and His Sister.
Dick Swindler and the Marchioness.
Where Are Those Strong-minded Resolutions?
Where Are the Men?
Where the Men Are.

1902

..Program..

1. The Only Pebble on the Beach
2. Melting
3. Selection.....Mr Woods
4. Is a Caddy Always Necessary?
5. Dick Swiveller and the Marchioness
6. Tom Pinch and his Sister (Martin Chuzzlewit)
7. Whistling Solo .....Miss Jane Bean
8. The Wonders of Palmistry
   In which he is told that he will marry a blonde who loves him but he will have to speak quick
9. A Financial Predicament
   This nobleman cannot recall which heiress accepted him the night before
10. In the Garden of Youth
11. The Girl I Left Behind Me
12. Story of a Sleeve
13. Japanese Love Song..... .....Miss Dora Kimball
14. Where are those Strong-minded Resolutions?
15. His Vacation Over
16. Reading (by request) "Penelope's Dance".....Mrs. Wilbur
17. Where Are the Men?
18. Where the Men Are
19. Vocal Solo..... .....Mr. Firebaugh

Mrs. B. P. Oakford, Accompanist

MRS. JOHN F. PARKINSON
MRS. JOHN SPENCER
MRS. WILBUR
MRS. H. D. DODGE

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The Woman's Club will meet at Fraternity hall, Wednesday, May 21st. It being the last meeting of the club year, a social afternoon, with music and refreshments, will be had. Violin, piano and vocal solos will be included in the program. 1902

Woman's Club Meeting.

A largely attended meeting of the Palo Alto Woman's Club was held at Fraternity hall, Wednesday afternoon. It was the last meeting of the club year and took the form of a tea and reception, with a brief program in charge of Mrs. Genevieve H. Wright.

A pleasing duet with Mr. Henri Bettman as violinist and Mrs. Otto as pianist, was followed with a vocal solo by Mrs. Wright, the obligato by Mr. Bettman. Miss Ethel Gossett gave a piano solo, which was followed by a duet by Mr. Bettman and Mrs. Otto Schubert's Serenade was rendered by Mrs. Wright.

Mrs. Julia R. Gilbert, one of the delegates from the club to the Federation of Women's Clubs at Los Angeles, gave a most interesting account of work accomplished in Los Angeles.

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THE DEESTRICT SKULE.

Just such a school as many of our older readers will remember, where Hezikiah Jason Peppergrass taught readin', 'ritin' and 'rithmetic, and where unruly pupils were made to stand in the corner and wear a dunce cap, while the others toed the mark, will be held here on July 31st. There may be a few modern ideas introduced, but so rar as possible the curriculum and methods of instruction will conform to the ideas of the olden time. A teacher of known ability has been engaged for the term of one session only, and the pupils are warranted to be fac similes of their grand aunts and uncles. The program is full of mirth-provoking possibilities, and nothing that can create a laugh will be omitted.

DEESTRICT SKULE A SUCCESS FINANCIALLY AND OTHERWISE

Nortree Hall Filled to Overflowing by the Citizens of Palo Alto and Vicinity.

ALL PARTS WELL SUSTAINED

The Last Day Exercises of Master Whackem's school, at Nortree Hall, drew one of the largest crowds ever assembled in that place. Every foot of standing room was taken, and even the ante-room was filled with a good-natured, laughing throng.

From the first appearance of the typical old-time pedagogue, in his military blue coat, with glittering brass buttons and huge spectacles, until the very last lesson was recited, the hall was in an uproar of delight. The many local hits were bright and witty, and were appreciated by the recipients as well as by the rest of the audience.

The old boys and girls were fully awake to their possibilities, and played pranks and were impertinent, as they perhaps wished to do in the old days when they dared "not talk back" to the real "Whackems" of their childhood. Where the entire class carried out their parts so well it would be difficult to name any particular scholar, for there was not a dullard among them. In his character of Master, Professor A. B. Show was simply perfect, and his University classes would scarcely have recognized their jolly professor in the ponderous, stilted Whackem, who strutted about the stage. G. W. Mosher was a cunning baby, who was visiting the school for the first time, and his wails, once heard, would not soon be forgotten. But lack of space will not permit personal mention.

The merry old games of "Ring Around the Rosy" and "London Bridge" brought sympathetic laughter from many who had almost forgotten such games existed. The "boys" stood on their heads, danced jigs, and many of them for the moment forgot their half century of years. The singing was good, and the dear old-fashioned songs, such as "Flow Gently, Sweet Afton," and "Wait For the Wagon," were warmly received.

Altogether the whole performonce was successful, and although at this time we have no means of ascertaining the financial results, it is certain that a very handsome sum will be placed to the credit of the Woman's Club. The proceeds are to be used for village improvement, and for the library fund.

September '02

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING.

Report of the Year's Work and Program for Today.

The Woman's Club held its annual reception at Fraternity hall this afternoon. Reports of the year's work were received and a pleasant program was rendered.

The administration of the library during the past year has been similar to that of the previous year. The report of the work is as follows:

Receipts.

Cash on hand Sept. 1, 91 -	$236.20
Entertainments - - -	149.79
Subscriptions - - -	110.20
Woman's Club - - -	60.00
Fines - - - - - -	84.24
New cards - - - -	33.05
Town appropr. - - -	500.00
	$1173.46

Expenditures.

Rent - - - - -	$180.00
Lib. salary - - -	480.00
Janitor - - - -	60.00
Books - - - -	181.73
Periodicals - - -	60.70
Binding - - - -	31.00
Supplies - - - -	30.60
Insurance - - - -	20.35
Incidental - - - -	26.87
Fuel - - - - -	6.55
	$1077.80
Cash on hand - - -	95.66
	$1173.46

The school Savings Bank was conducted last year by Miss Jane Bean who reports as follows:

Number of depositors 83.
Amount deposited $117.29
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In bank Sept. 1. $93.16

The program for the afternoon was as follows:

Vocal Solo,
A Winter Lullaby by R. DeKoven of Trinity church, San Francisco, —Miss Ferrell
Reports of secretary and treasurer,
Violin solo, Miss Bruckman.
Village Library and Improvement Committee report.
New officers and Board report.
Vocal solo, Miss Main.
Invocation.
Those wishing to join the club may do so by consultiing Mrs. Gilbert.

Woman's Club Meeting.

The Woman's Club will meet tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock. This will be the first regular meeting of the year since the Club reception on the 10th and the afternoon will be pleasant and instructive. Dr. Dorothea Moore of San Francisco will be present and address the Club on the "Consumers' League." All are invited. Fraternity Hall, Wednesday, 3 p. m.

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DR. JORDAN TO LECTURE.

President Jordan will deliver a lecture at Nortree hall next Tuesday night, September 30, his subject being "The Continuing City." The lecture has been arranged by the village improvement committee of the Woman's Club, and is to be the first of a series of addresses upon the general topic of civic affairs. Those who have heard Dr. Jordan's lecture speak highly of it and his great popularity always assures him a large audience in Palo Alto.

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Woman's Club News.

The Woman's Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the usual place. The ladies have programmed for a very interesting and instructive meeting and a full attendance is expected by the officers. Prof. Show has consented to address the Club on this occasion and will take as his subject, "History and Land-Marks Work in California." This address will take the place of the scheduled lecture by Prof. Rolf.

Club Women in Regular Session

Have an Interesting Meeting and Transact much Important Business.

The Woman's Club met in regular session Wednesday afternoon, and much business of interest and importance received attention.

Aside from the business matters that came up, a pleasing musical and literary program was carried out. Mr. A. L. Scott-Brooke rendered a piano solo; a paper on "Modern Literature" was read by Mrs. Rosebrook, and Prof. A. B. Show gave a pleasing talk on the "Teaching of Local History." Mrs. G. B. Little handed in a report for the committee on Consumers' League. The matter was discussed and in order to more fully discuss the subject, it was decided to hold a meeting next Thursday afternoon. All that are interested on this subject will meet at Mrs. Gilbert's at 4 p. m. The question of the revision the Constitution came up for action and was passed. Mrs. Rober, Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Wallace was chosen on this committee. The next meeting of the Club will be conducted by the Home and Household Committee.

EVENING OF HEALTHY FUN.

The Always Amusing Deestreck Skule Thursday.

All who want to enjoy a good laugh, and there are many of us who need to have a little fun stirred into our daily portion, should attend the last day exercises of the Deestreck Skule, at Nortree Hall, Thursday night, and hear the boys and girls say their lessons, as children were taught in the last century. The style of recitations may be a little exaggerated, but some of us who can remember back far enough, can vouch for the truth of most of the delineations. The class on Thursday night will be particularly bright and apt in the memorizing of lessons, as well as in adaptation of local hits, and every one who attends may rest assured that he will get more fun for twenty-five cents than by any other investment. There will be some familiar songs, which will be rendered with an energy that will capture the audience.

Do not forget the date, tomorrow night at Nortree Hall, 8 o'clock sharp. Admission is twenty-five cents, and the proceeds are for the library fund, a cause in which all citizens of Palo Alto feel a deep interest. Following is the cast of characters :

Master Whackem.....A. B. Show
Julius Call.....L. C. Walker
William Call.....Richard Werry
Solomon Easy.....James Stroner
Christopher Columbus Fitts.....
.....Frank Kasson
Johnnie Josh.....A. B. Harvie
Nicholas News.....J. F. Byxbee
Andrew Jackson Short.....J. W. Roller
Timothy Slugger.....James McIntosh
Benjamin Franklin Squeers. E. G. Fields
Daniel Webster Tompkins...E. R. Ewell
Tommy Tubbs.....H. A. Ramsay
Johnny Prickleton.....G. W. Mosher
Dorothy Belle Baker..Dr. Natalie Selling
Humility Ann Brown. Mrs. Perry Roberts
Susanna Butterfield..Mrs. Carrie Brown
Christobal Culter.....Mrs. Olive Dodge
Huldy May Martin.....Mrs. E. R. Ewell
Mehitable Jane Higgins. Mrs. E. L. Sloan
Sally Slim.....Mrs. M. C. Wilbur
Zembia Snelling.....Mrs. H. H. Holly
Charity Simper.....Mrs. C. H. Gilbert
Tillie Tompkins.....Mrs. McIntosh
Venus Matilda Weeks...Mrs. S. E. Yost
Mistress Prickleton...Mrs. L. C. Walker

COMMITTEEMEN.

Deacon Ketchum.....G. B. Little
Squire Wayback.....E. Cleveland
Simon Hayseed.....Richard Reynolds

Mrs. J. S. Wathy read a paper, taking "The Building of a Home" as her subject, bringing out many instructive points.

A paper which was full of good suggestions was read by Mrs. Wilbur She dwelled especially on the the importance of having sightly houses on the exterior and making the house harmonize with the location and surroundings.

At the conclusion of the reading of the papers the different subjects were taken up and liberally discussed by the club, as in so doing the meeting becomes more interesting and profitable to each individual member.

Interesting Papers Read And Discussed

The Women's Club Give and Instructive Program at Regular Meeting.

The Women's Club held their regular club meeting yesterday afternoon.

The program was especially interesting to its members. Mrs. J. W. Roller played one of her pleasing piano solos and Mrs. M. A. Lakin read a most interesting paper on current events. She gave particular stress to the pious fund, the program for the afternoon being under the head of "Home and Household."

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AN INTERESTING ADDRESS BY PROF. A. B. SHOW

The Club Makes an Offer of Cash Prizes for Articles by High School Pupils Upon Municipal Goverment.

An unusually attractive program was presented yesterday at the meeting of the Woman's Club, which was enjoyed by a large number of visitors. The speaker of the day was Professor A. B. Show, who gave a most interesting address on the "Teaching of Local History." He is always at his best dealing with historical points, but declared yesterday that it was a hard task to make a comprehensive talk on so great and interesting a subject as California history, in the limited time assigned him. Mr. Scott Brook rendered a piano solo and Mrs. F. G. Rosebrook read an entertaining paper on "Modern Literature." Mrs. G. B. Little's report on Consumers' League was then discussed and the matter will come up for further consideration at a meeting held at Mrs. Gilbert's next Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Raber and Mrs. Wallace were appointed a committee to decide upon the revision of the constitution.

An offer was then read from the Education and Science department giving cash prizes to the amount of $15 to four high school pupils, two boys and two girls, the first prizes to be $5 each and the second $2.50 each. The subject to be the best article on "The municipal government of Palo Alto." What are the duties of the town officers? How are they filled? What are the emolu ments of each? Give one illustration of each taken from personal observation. The data must be collected from records of the town.

Date - ?

Report of Public Library.

The following is a statement of the library finances for the month of January:

RECEIPTS.

Cash Jan. 1	Genl Fund	$ 32 14
	Book Fund	284 65
Town of Palo Alto		20 00
Woman's Club		5 00
Subscriptions collected		45 55
Fines		7 54
Total		$394 88

EXPENDITURES.

Rent	$ 15 00
Librarian	30 00
Janitor	5 00
Fuel	3 30
Subscription books	28 40
Incidentals	3 97
Total	$ 83 98

Cash on hand, $310.90.

Cards in force 905
Books issued 1233

MRS. H. M. PARKINSON,
Treasurer.

The running expenses of the library aside from the purchase of books, approximates sixty dollars per month, or about $700 per year. Of this amount the town gives us $240 and the Woman's Club $60, leaving at least $400 to be secured by subscription. Subscription papers are being sent as nearly as possible to every one in town; as a result of two months work we have secured less than $300 in pledges and cash. We ask the aid of those who have not already subscribed. Subscriptions may be left at the library.

JULIA R. GILBERT.

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